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HIGHLIGHTS

First session of Eighty-fourth Congress convened.

Thirty-four Senators were sworn in, and Senate elected its officers and adopted procedural resolutions.

Majority assignments announced for House Committees on Appropriations, House Administration, and Ways and Means.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3–7

Resolutions Submitted: 10 resolutions were submitted, as follows: S. Res. 1–10. **Pages 6–7**

Swearing In of Newly Elected Senators: The following 32 Senators, elected in November 1954 to terms expiring in 1961, were sworn in: Senators Allott, Anderson, Barkley, Bridges, Case of New Jersey, Curtis, Douglas, Dworshak, Eastland, Ellender, Frear, Green, Humphrey, Johnson of Texas, Kefauver, Kerr, Martin of Iowa, McClellan, McNamara, Mundt, Murray, Neely, Neuberger, O'Mahoney, Robertson, Russell, Saltonstall, Schoeppel, Scott, Smith of Maine, Sparkman, and Thurmond.

Also sworn in following their election in November 1954 to the balance of terms expiring in 1957 were Senators Bender and Kuchel. **Page 5**

Organizational Resolutions Adopted: Resolutions providing for the election of Senate officers for the 84th Congress were adopted, as follows:

President pro tempore: S. Res. 4, providing for the election of Senator George, of Georgia, as President pro tempore of the Senate. Senator Knowland proposed an amendment to elect Senator Bridges, of New Hampshire, to this office instead of Senator George, which was rejected. Upon adoption of this resolution, Senator George was sworn in as President pro tempore.

Secretary of the Senate: S. Res. 5, providing for the election of Felton M. Johnston, of Mississippi, as Secretary of the Senate. Senator Knowland proposed an amendment to substitute the name of J. Mark Trice, of Maryland, which was rejected. Thereupon, Mr. Johnston was sworn in as the new Senate Secretary.

Sergeant at Arms: S. Res. 8, electing Joseph C. Duke, of Arizona, as Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate. An amendment by Senator Knowland, substituting the name of Forest A. Harness, of Indiana, was rejected.

Secretary for the Majority: S. Res. 9, electing Robert G. Baker, of South Carolina, as secretary for the majority of the Senate.

Secretary for the Minority: S. Res. 10, providing for the election of J. Mark Trice, of Maryland, as secretary for the minority of the Senate. **Pages 6–7**

Procedural Resolutions Adopted: The Senate adopted the following procedural resolutions:

Notification of quorum: S. Res. 1, providing for the appointment of two Senators to advise the President that a quorum of the Senate is present and ready to receive any message. Senators Johnson of Texas and Knowland were appointed to this committee.

Legislative program: S. Res. 2, advising the House that a quorum of the Senate is present and ready to transact business.

Hour of meeting: S. Res. 3, setting the hour of 12 o'clock meridian as the hour of daily meeting of the Senate unless otherwise ordered.

Notification to President of election of Senate officers: S. Res. 6, directing that the President be notified of the election of Senator George as President pro tempore, and of Felton M. Johnston as Secretary of the Senate.

Notification to House of election of Senate officers: S. Res. 7, directing that the House be notified of the election of Senator George as President pro tempore, and of Felton M. Johnston as Secretary of the Senate. **Pages 6–7**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:50 p. m.

Committee Meetings

CONTEMPT PROCEEDINGS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee on Government Operations: Committee, in executive session, voted unanimously to (1) recommend that Diantha Hoag be cited for contempt of the Senate, as recommended by its Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, (2) defer action temporarily on three other contempt citations, in order to give the individuals involved an opportunity to appear before the subcommittee at some future time, (3) dismiss proposed contempt charges against 1 person, (4) authorize filing, within 1 week, of report of activities of the committee during the 83d Congress, and (5) authorize filing of several activities reports of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, after approval by a majority of the subcommittee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 867 public bills, H. R. 1–867; 685 private bills, H. R. 868–1552; and 186 resolutions, H. J. Res. 1–94, H. Con. Res. 1–24, and H. Res. 68, were introduced. Pages 31–60

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Fourth annual report of Joint Committee on Defense Production (H. Rept. 1); and Report of the Joint Committee on Defense Production entitled "United States Tin Corporation Loans" (H. Rept. 2). Page 31

Election of Speaker: By a vote of 226 to 198, with 2 Members-elect voting present, Sam Rayburn, a Representative from the State of Texas, was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives, and was escorted to the Chair by Representatives Martin of Massachusetts, McCormack, Vinson, Cooper, and Arends.

Representative Vinson administered the oath of office to the Speaker who subsequently administered the oath to 426 Members-elect en bloc. Pages 8–10

Party Leaders: It was announced that Representatives McCormack and Martin of Massachusetts were selected as majority and minority leaders, respectively. Page 10

House Employees: Adopted H. Res. 1, choosing the following to be majority employees of the House of Representatives:

Ralph R. Roberts, Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Zeake W. Johnson, Jr., Sergeant at Arms.

William M. Miller, Doorkeeper.

H. H. Morris, Postmaster.

Rev. Bernard Braskamp, D. D., Chaplain. Page 10

Notify Senate: Adopted H. Res. 2, to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House had assembled and had elected Sam Rayburn, a Representative from the State of Texas, Speaker; and Ralph R. Roberts, Clerk of the House of Representatives. Pages 10–11

Notify President: Adopted H. Res. 3, authorizing the Speaker to appoint a committee of three Members to join with a like committee of the Senate to notify the President that a quorum of each House has been assembled and that Congress is ready to receive any communications that he may be pleased to make. Subsequently the Speaker appointed Representatives McCormack, Rooney, and Martin of Massachusetts. Page 11

Inform President: Adopted H. Res. 4, authorizing the Clerk of the House to inform the President that the House of Representatives had elected Sam Rayburn, a Representative from the State of Texas, Speaker; and Ralph R. Roberts, Clerk of the House of Representatives. Page 11

House Rules: Adopted H. Res. 5, providing that the rules of the House of Representatives for the 84th Congress will be the same as those of the 83d Congress. Page 11

Resignations: Heard the reading of letters of resignation from the following:

Representative Secrest of the 15th Congressional District of Ohio;

Representative Cotton of the 2d Congressional District of New Hampshire;

Representative Hruska of the 2d Congressional District of Nebraska;

Representative Bender of the 23d Congressional District of Ohio;

Representative Curtis of the 1st Congressional District of Nebraska; and

Representative Javits of the 21st Congressional District of New York. Page 11

Commission Appointments: The Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Vinson and Auchincloss to serve with him on the House Office Building Commission. Page 12

Appropriations: Adopted H. Res. 6, authorizing the Committee on Appropriations and its subcommittees to sit during the sessions and recesses of the 84th Congress. Page 12

Joint Session: Adopted H. Con. Res. 1, calling for a joint session of Congress at 12:30 p. m. on January 6, 1955, to receive the President's state of the Union message. Page 12

Minority Employees: Adopted H. Res. 7, announcing the selection and salaries of six minority employees. Page 12

Majority Committee Assignments: Adopted H. Res. 8, electing certain majority Members to the following standing committees: Appropriations, House Administration, and Ways and Means. Page 12

Appropriations Committee: Adopted H. Res. 9, fixing the size of the Committee on Appropriations at 50 members for the duration of the 84th Congress. Page 12

Hour of Meeting: Adopted H. Res. 10, fixing the hour of meeting in the House of Representatives at 12 o'clock noon. Page 12

Absentee Members, Oaths: Adopted H. Res. 11 and 12, providing for administering the oath of office to Representatives Radwan and Smith of Wisconsin, respectively, who were absent. Page 12

Committee Employees: Adopted H. Res. 13, providing that standing committees of the House shall have authority to approve the employment and compensation of committee employees from January 3, 1955, or such subsequent date as their services commenced. Page 13

Condolence Resolutions: Adopted H. Res. 14, 15, and 16, providing for expressions of condolence and sympathy on the deaths of Senators Maybank and McCarran, and Representative Rogers of Florida, respectively. Pages 13–25

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:24 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Thursday, January 6, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses heard President deliver his state of the Union message.

Senate adopted resolutions on size of committees and on membership of Commission on Governmental Operations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 94–121

Bills Introduced: 171 bills and 16 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1 to S. 171; S. J. Res. 1 to S. J. Res. 9; S. Con. Res. 1; and S. Res. 11 to S. Res. 16. Pages 102–117

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report of Committee on Banking and Currency on an investigation of the FHA pursuant to S. Res. 229 of the 83d Cong. (S. Rept. 1);

Fourth annual Report of Joint Committee on Defense Production on activities of that committee, together with materials, respecting national defense production and controls; and

Report of Joint Committee on Defense Production respecting U. S. Tin Corporation loans. Page 117

Joint Session: H. Con. Res. 1, calling for a joint session of Congress at 12:30 p. m. on January 6, 1955, to receive President's state of the Union message, was adopted. Page 94

President's Message on State of Union: Senate met in joint session with the House to hear President Eisenhower deliver his message on the state of the Union. Pages 94, 121–127

Commission on Governmental Operations: Senate adopted S. J. Res. 4, providing for continuation in office of certain members of the Commission on Governmental Operations. Page 113

Committee Membership: S. Res. 14, to amend Senate Rule XXV by changing the number of members on certain standing committees, was adopted. Pages 114–115

Treaty Received: Senate received mutual defense treaty between U. S. and Republic of China signed at Washington on December 2, 1954 (Exec. A, 84th Cong., 1st sess.)—referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 117–118

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:39 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 84 public bills, H R. 1553–1636; 116 private bills, H. R. 1637–1752; and 11 resolutions, H. J. Res. 95–101, H. Con. Res. 25 and 26, and H. Res. 69 and 70, were introduced. Pages 132–136

President's Message: Before a joint session of both Houses President Eisenhower delivered his state of the Union message. He was escorted to and from the Chamber by Senators Johnson of Texas, George, and Knowland; and Representatives McCormack, Cooper, and Martin of Massachusetts.

The message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 1). Pages 121–127

Member Sworn: Adopted H. Res. 69, providing for House acceptance of oath administered, pursuant to H. Res. 12, as the oath of office of Representative Smith of Wisconsin. Page 127

Birthday: The Speaker received felicitations from numerous Members on his birthday. Pages 129–131

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:04 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Monday, January 10, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received President's message on foreign economic policy, including extension of reciprocal trade program.

Minority assignments announced for House Committees on Appropriations, House Administration, and Ways and Means.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 158–184

Bills Introduced: 129 bills and 9 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 172–S. 300; S. J. Res. 10–14; and S. Res. 17–20. Pages 162–164, 167–169, 181

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 17, to amend rule XXV affecting committee hearing procedures (S. Rept. 2);

Report of Committee on Government Operations on investigation of subversion and espionage in defense establishments and industries (S. Rept. 3); and

Annual report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "The Activities of the Senate Committee on Government Operations" (S. Rept. 4). Pages 161–162

President's Messages: The following three Presidential messages were received:

Recommendation for a 3-year extension of the reciprocal trade program, with further recommendations for (1) special tax concessions to encourage flow of U. S. investment capital to underdeveloped countries, (2) U. S. membership in proposed International Finance Corporation to be affiliated with the World Bank, (3) streamlining of customs administration and procedure, (4) increasing duty-free allowances for American tourists, and (5) continuation of so-called point 4 program—referred to Committee on Finance;

Inclusion of escape clauses in existing trade agreements—referred to Committee on Finance; and

First semiannual report on activities carried on under Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act (P. L. 480, 83d Cong.)—referred to Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. Page 158

Committee Membership: S. Res. 19, setting at 5 the number of minority party Senators to be assigned to membership on as many as 3 committees, was adopted. Page 181

Resolution To Lie on Table: S. Res. 18, favoring continued investigation and combating of Communist international conspiracy against the U. S., was submitted and, by unanimous consent, was ordered to lie on table. Pages 167–168

Nominations: 39 civilian nominations were received, including those of George V. Allen, of North Carolina, to be Assistant Secretary of State, Henry A. Byroade, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to Egypt, and John Marshall Harlan, of New York, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, along with 57 Navy and 1,510 Air Force nominations. Pages 184–190

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:28 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: On Friday, January 7, Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved Air Force acquisition No. 257, research facility site, Hartford, Conn., and also approved funds of $5,744,430 for construction in Alaska.

The subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, Air Force acquisition No. 252, Palmdale, Calif.

COMMITTEE HEARING PROCEDURES

Committee on Rules and Administration: In executive session, committee voted to report favorably an original resolution (S. Res. 17) to amend rule XXV affecting committee hearing procedures. This action carries out the recommendations of the report submitted last week to the full committee by its Subcommittee on Rules handling this matter.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 113 public bills, H. R. 1753–1865; 134 private bills, H. R. 1866–1999; and 23 resolutions, H. J. Res. 102–114, and H. Res. 71–80, were introduced. Pages 212–216

Members Sworn: Adopted H. Res. 71, providing for House acceptance of oath administered, pursuant to H. Res. 11, as the oath of office of Representative Radwan.

Representative Passman presented himself at the bar of the House and took the oath of office. Page 191

Minority Committee Assignments: Adopted H. Res. 72 electing certain minority Members to membership on the following standing committees: Appropriations, House Administration, and Ways and Means. Page 191

Party Whips: It was announced that Representatives Albert and Arends were selected as majority and minority whips, respectively. Pages 191–192

President's Message—Foreign Economic Policy: Heard the reading of a message from the President in which he submitted, for the consideration of Congress, his recommendations for further developing the foreign economic policy of the United States.

The message was referred to the Committe on Ways and Means and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 63). Pages 192–193

Majority Positions: Adopted H. Res. 73 and 74, authorizing readjustment of certain positions and salaries in the office of the majority whip and the majority leader, respectively. Page 194

Chief Janitor: Adopted H. Res. 75, providing for additional compensation for the chief janitor and the assistant chief janitor (minority). Page 194

Atomic Energy Assignments: Speaker announced the appointment of the following Members to membership on the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Representatives Durham, Holifield, Price, Kilday, Dempsey, Cole, Hinshaw, Van Zandt, and Patterson. Page 203

President's Message—Trade Agreements: Received a message from the President transmitting a report on the inclusion of escape clauses in existing trade agreements. The message was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 64). Pages 201–202

President's Message—Agriculture: Received the first semiannual report of the President on the activities carried on under the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act (P. L. 480, 83d Cong.). The message was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 62). Page 194

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:52 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Tuesday, January 11, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received Presidential messages on Federal pay increases and postal pay-postal rate increases.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 234–244

Bills Introduced: 39 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 301 to S. 339; S. J. Res. 15; and S. Res. 21. **Pages 237, 241**

President's Messages: Two messages from the President were received, as follows, and both were referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: (1) Recommending adjustments of Federal pay scales, establishment of group health and employee-training programs for Federal civilian employees, and improvement in overseas-personnel management; and (2) recommending approval of a new salary plan, including 5-percent pay increases for postal employees, policy determination that Post Office Department shall be self-supporting, separation of postal costs to be paid by patron from those to be paid by general taxation, establishment of a permanent commission on postal rate adjustments, and enactment of an interim postal-rate bill. **Pages 234–237, 248–251**

Standing Committee Assignments: The majority and minority slates of assignments to standing committees for the 84th Congress were submitted by Senators Johnson of Texas and Knowland, and were approved as submitted. **Pages 244–245**

Nominations: The nomination of Joseph F. Finnegan, of New York, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director, was received, along with those of Loy W. Henderson, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of State, James C. H. Bonbright, of New York, to be Ambassador to Portugal, James C. Dunn, of New York, to be Ambassador to Brazil, Robert C. Hendrickson, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, John Lodge, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Spain, and 67 Foreign Service nominations. **Page 247**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:55 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 39 public bills, H. R. 2000–2038; 51 private bills, H. R. 2039–2089; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 115 and H. Res. 81–83, were introduced. **Pages 251, 259–260**

President's Message—Federal Employees: Heard the reading of a message from the President recommending enactment of legislation to benefit Federal employees by providing adjustments in basic pay scales, group health insurance, employee training, and increased travel allowances. The message was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 66). **Pages 248–249**

President's Message—Postal: Received a message from the President recommending a 5-point program for the Post Office Department designed to provide, among other things, a 5-percent increase in basic salary rates and a reduction in the postal deficit. The message was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 65). **Pages 249–251**

House Employees: Adopted H. Res. 81 and 82, providing for additional compensation for certain employees of the House of Representatives. **Page 251**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:36 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Thursday, January 13, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House received President's messages on Armed Forces Reserves and military pay, passed emergency appropriation bill, and approved majority assignments to 18 standing committees.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee heard Secretary Dulles discuss world situation.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, January 14, at noon.

Committee Meetings

MEETING WITH SECRETARY DULLES

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee met in executive session to hear Secretary of State Dulles discuss world developments in general and answer questions regarding the Southeast Asia Collective Defense Treaty. The Secretary stated that prompt Senate action on this treaty would help the policy and vital interest of the U. S., and would show that Western and Asian powers can successfully work together.

Mr. Dulles also stated that the U. S. should not limit its efforts to situations where there is a 100 percent chance of success, but that there are a number of situations in the world where we should put forth a strong effort even though it is not certain that we will succeed. Otherwise, he continued, the U. S. would miss many opportunities to preserve freedom and resist the expansion of international communism.

With regard to Indochina, he said that the trend of events there is now somewhat more favorable than it has been.

Prior to the Secretary's testimony the committee unanimously adopted a resolution expressing its appreciation to Senator Wiley for his services as chairman during the 83d Congress.

Following this meeting it was announced that the committee will meet again on Tuesday, January 18, in executive session to consider nominations and miscellaneous matters, and will hold public hearings on Wednesday, January 19, on the Southeast Asia Collective Defense Treaty (Exec. K, 83d Cong., 2d sess.) to hear testimony from private citizens.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Rules and Administration: On Wednesday, January 12, the committee met in executive session for organizational purposes, and adopted several motions establishing routine procedures under which the committee will operate during the new Congress.

Also, it was announced that Gordon F. Harrison had been appointed as the committee's chief clerk and counsel.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 145 public bills, H. R. 2090–2234; 134 private bills, H. R. 2235–2368; and 26 resolutions, H. J. Res. 116–136, H. Con. Res. 27, and H. Res. 84–87, were introduced. **Pages 276–277, 302–307**

Bill Reported: One report was filed as follows: H. R. 2091, making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 (H. Rept. 3). **Page 302**

Members Sworn: Members-elect Chiperfield and Allen of California presented themselves at the bar of the House and took the oath of office. **Page 276**

Ways and Means: Adopted H. Res. 84, authorizing the Committee on Ways and Means and the subcommittees thereof to sit during sessions of the 84th Congress. **Page 276**

Majority Committee Assignments: Adopted H. Res. 85, electing certain majority Members to membership on 18 standing committees of the House. **Pages 276–277**

President's Message—Reserves: Received Presidential message recomending a 4-year extension of selective service with a 2-year extension of the doctor-dentist draft and other proposals designed to strengthen the Armed Forces Reserves. The message was referred to the

Committee on Armed Services and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 68). Pages 277–278

President's Message—Military Pay: Received a message from the President recommending an increase in pay and allowances for military service personnel along with certain other nonpay benefits. The message was referred to the Committee on Armed Services and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 69). Pages 278–279

Urgent Deficiency Appropriation: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 2091, making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955. This bill provides funds for death gratuities to deceased Members' beneficiaries, continues available $44,500 for improvements to Capitol Building, and increases limitations of certain funds needed by the Commodity Credit Corporation and the Federal Housing Administration, and transfers to the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission $90,000 from war claims fund. Pages 279–283

Majority Deputy Whip: Announcement was made that Representative Boggs, of Louisiana, had been designated to serve as deputy whip for the majority. Page 284

Member Sworn: Member-elect Rogers from the Sixth Congressional District of Florida appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office. Page 289

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:51 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Joint Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: On Wednesday, January 12, the committee held an executive organizational meeting, following which it was announced that Senator Douglas and Representative Patman had been chosen as committee chairman and vice chairman, respectively.

Also, it was announced that hearings will be held by the full committee on the President's economic report as soon as possible after its submittal to the Congress on January 20, 1955.

Friday, January 14, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

By unanimous vote of 84 yeas, Senate adopted resolution favoring continued investigation and combating of communism.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 331–380

Bills Introduced: 141 bills and 12 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 340 to S. 480; S. J. Res. 16 to S. J. Res. 20; S. Con. Res. 2; and S. Res. 22 to S. Res. 27. Pages 333–335, 354–359

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 359

President's Messages: Two messages respecting military manpower and pay, as follows, were received from the President and were referred to the Committee on Armed Services:

(1) Recommending extension for 4 years of military draft legislation, with extension for 2 years of draft of doctors and dentists, and strengthening of Reserve forces; and

(2) Making certain recommendations on increases in military pay and allowances, and respecting turnover of military personnel. Page 330

Investigation of Communism: By unanimous vote of 84 yeas, Senate adopted S. Res. 18, favoring continued investigation and combating of Communist international conspiracy against the U. S. Page 361

Committee Assignments: The following four appointments to fill existing committee vacancies were announced:

Senator O'Mahoney to Joint Committee on Economic Report;

Senators Morse and Eastland to Select Committee on Small Business; and

Senator Jackson to Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. Page 368

Urgent Deficiency Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations was authorized to file during Senate

recess its report on H. R. 2091, urgent deficiency appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955.

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Nominations: Eight civilian nominations were received, including those of Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, U. S. Army, retired, to be member of National Security Training Commission, and Kenneth H. Tuggle, of Kentucky, and Everett Hutchinson, of Texas, to be members of the Interstate Commerce Commission, along with 1 Navy and 1 Marine Corps nomination.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:59 p. m.

Committee Meetings

URGENT DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: The committee held executive hearings on H. R. 2091, Urgent Deficiency Appropriations Act, 1955, with testimony from Under Secretary of Agriculture True D. Morse, FHA Commissioner Norman Mason, and Acting Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission Henry J. Clay, all of whom were accompanied by their associates.

The committee will meet again on Monday, January 17, to mark up this bill.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee held an executive organizational meeting, following which it was announced:

(1) That hearings will begin on the stock-market study about February 23; and in the meantime the staff will make preliminary studies in that field;

(2) That the committee had adopted rules of procedure used during the 83d Congress;

(3) That the report of the Special Subcommittee To Investigate the Rise in Coffee Prices had been ordered released by the committee; and

(4) That Robert Wallace and James Cash had been appointed staff director and professional staff member, respectively (these appointments filled vacancies created by resignation of Norman W. Stevenson and Paul Cyr, both of whose resignations were accepted today), and that A. Lee Parsons and John R. Hancock had been appointed as committee clerk and assistant clerk, respectively.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee held an executive organizational meeting, following which it was announced that H. W. Brawley had been appointed chief clerk and counsel of the committee and that Robert W. Johnson had been appointed minority clerk.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, January 17, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Ways and Means: Held executive organizational meeting. Announced that Representative Mills had been appointed as a member of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation. He will serve as a House member on this joint committee along with Representatives Cooper, Dingell, Reed of New York, and Jenkins. The committee also made appointments of staff personnel.

Monday, January 17, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House received President's budget message.

House committee began hearings on bill to extend President's authority to enter into trade agreements.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 18, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

URGENT DEFICIENCY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported, with

amendments, H. R. 2091, Urgent Deficiency Appropriations Act, 1955. As approved, the bill would provide total funds of $993,950, an increase of $968,950 over the House-passed figure of $25,000.

ORGANIZATION AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee met in executive session, following which it was announced that it had ordered favorably reported: (1) With an amendment, S. Res. 13, to investigate certain problems relating to interstate and foreign commerce (amendment would provide funds of $200,000 for such purposes), and (2) 9 routine nominations in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

The committee also announced the appointment of the following 4 standing subcommittees: Subcommittee No. 1—Surface Transportation (Senator Smathers, chairman); Subcommittee No. 2—Communications (Senator Pastore, chairman); Subcommittee No. 3—Aviation (Senator Monroney, chairman); and Subcommittee No. 4—Merchant Marine and Fisheries (Senator Magnuson, chairman).

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 87 public bills, H. R. 2369–2455; 75 private bills, H. R. 2456–2530; and 28 resolutions, H. J. Res. 137–142, H. Con. Res. 28–43, and H. Res. 88–93, were introduced. Pages 428–432

Internal Revenue Code: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 2369, providing for the correction of an error in the Internal Revenue Code. Page 384

Commission on Governmental Operations: Adopted and thereby cleared for the President S. J. Res. 4, providing for continuation in office of certain members of the Commission on Governmental Operations. Page 385

President's Message—Budget: Heard the reading of the President's budget message in which the 1956 expenditures are estimated at $62.4 billion, which is $1.1 billion less than for the current year. The message was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed as House documents (H. Docs. 16 and 17). Pages 386–411

Internal Revenue Taxation: Heard the reading of a communication that announced the appointment of Representative Mills to membership on the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation. He will serve on this joint committee with the following House Members: Representatives Cooper, Dingell, Reed of New York, and Jenkins. Page 414

Committee Resignations: Received and read letters of resignation from membership on the Committee on House Administration from the following members: Representatives Garmatz, Deane, Moss, and Trimble. Page 414

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:20 p. m.

Committee Meetings

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Secretary of State Dulles and Secretary of Agriculture Benson urged enactment today of the proposed bill (H. R. 1) to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Speaking in support of the foreign economic program, as outlined by President Eisenhower on January 10, Secretary Dulles said that the proposal under consideration would extend for 3 years the present Trade Agreements Act, which goes back to 1934, and it would authorize the President, subject to the present peril and escape-clause provisions—

1. To reduce, through multilateral and reciprocal negotiations, tariff rates on selected commodities by not more than 5 percent per year for 3 years.

2. To reduce, through multilateral and reciprocal negotiations, any tariff rates in excess of 50 percent to that level over a 3-year period; and

3. To reduce, by not more than one-half over a 3-year period, tariff rates in effect on January 1, 1945, on articles which are not now being imported or which are being imported only in negligible quantities.

Secretary Benson, summarizing his testimony in support of the bill, stated that the—

Trade agreements legislation, and indeed the general foreign trade program recommended by the President, are programs in the national interest, meriting strong nonpartisan support. The free nations of the world are economically interdependent. Each country needs many products from the other countries if we are all to achieve economic strength. Moderation in reducing our tariffs is the underlying philosophy of this act. Provisions of this act call for both gradual and selective tariff liberalization. The passage of this act would not result in sudden, arbitrary, or inequitably severe burdens on any segment of our American economy.

Foreign Operations Administrator Stassen, who was originally scheduled to appear today, is expected to testify on Wednesday morning. Tomorrow's witnesses are Secretary of Commerce Weeks and Secretary of Defense Wilson in the morning, and Secretary of Treasury Humphrey and Secretary of Labor Mitchell in the afternoon.

Tuesday, January 18, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed urgent deficiency appropriations bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 442–470

Bills Introduced: 68 bills and 6 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 481 to S. 548; S. J. Res. 21; S. Con. Res. 3; and S. Res. 28–31. Pages 445–446, 452

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2091, urgent deficiency appropriations for fiscal year 1955, with amendments—reported January 17 under prior authorization (S. Rept. 6);

S. Res. 31, citing Diantha D. Hoag for contempt of Senate (S. Rept. 7);

S. Res. 28, extending until March 31, 1955, authority of Committee on Armed Services to hold hearings and investigations (no written report)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. Res. 13, authorizing Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate certain problems relating to interstate and foreign commerce, with amendment (no written report)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration; and

S. Res. 29, continuing until January 31, 1956, authority of Committee on Foreign Relations to employ two additional clerical assistants (no written report).

Pages 441, 444–445

President's Message—Budget: President's message transmitting proposed budget for fiscal year 1956 was received and referred to Committee on Appropriations. The budget estimates total $62.4 billion.

Pages 386–411, 441

Committee Personnel: Senate adopted S. Res. 29, continuing until January 31, 1956, authority of the Committee on Foreign Relations to employ two additional clerical assistants. Page 445

Internal Revenue Code: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 2369, providing for the correction of the clerical error in the Internal Revenue Code by restoring penalties for narcotic law violations. Page 458

Committee Assignments: Appointments of the following additional members to the Select Committee on Small Business were announced: Senators Sparkman, Long, Humphrey, Smathers, Kennedy, Thye, Saltonstall, Schoeppel, Duff, and Goldwater. Page 441

Urgent Deficiency Appropriations: Senate passed with committee amendments (one with amendments) H. R. 2091, urgent deficiency appropriations for fiscal year 1955. The committee amendment respecting funds for Commission on Intergovernmental Relations was amended by adoption of (1) amendment by Senator Humphrey providing that the appropriation for the Commission shall remain available until June 30, 1955, rather than May 31, 1955, and (2) Dirksen amendment increasing by $20,000 funds for salaries and expenses of the Commission.

Conference was requested with House, and Senators Hayden, Russell, Chavez, Bridges, and Saltonstall were appointed as conferees. Page 458–462

Commission on Intergovernmental Relations: Communication from the President transmitting a proposed supplemental appropriation in the sum of $160,000 for fiscal year 1955 for the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations was referred to Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 6.

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Nominations: Two civilian nominations were received, including that of Donald R. Heath, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to Lebanon, along with six Coast Guard nominations. Page 470

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:50 p. m.

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported, 1,510 nominations in the Air Force, and an original resolution (S. Res. 28) extending until March 31, 1955, authority of the committee to hold hearings and investigations.

Also, it was announced that the committee would hold an executive meeting on Tuesday, January 25, to receive a briefing from Defense Secretary Wilson and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Radford.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee held an executive, organizational meeting, following which it was announced that it had:

(1) Adopted rules of procedure to be followed during the 84th Congress;

(2) Appointed standing subcommittees, as follows: (a) Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs—Senators Bible, chairman, Gore, and Beall; (b) Subcommittee on the Judiciary—Senators Morse, chairman, Bible, and Hruska; (c) Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, Welfare, and Safety—Senators McNamara,

chairman, Case, and Morse; and (d) Subcommittee on Business and Commerce—Senators Beall, chairman, McNamara, and Allott; and

(3) Appointed Leo A. Casey as its chief clerk, and William P. Gulledge and Murray Weight as its counsel and assistant counsel, respectively.

NOMINATIONS AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of John Davis Lodge, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Spain, and Robert C. Hendrickson, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to New Zealand.

Also, the committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution (S. Res. 29) continuing until January 31, 1956, the committee's authority to employ two additional clerical assistants.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The committee met in executive session for organizational purposes, and unanimously agreed to the following:

(1) That the committee's regular meeting day shall be the first and third Thursday of each month;

(2) That two members of the full committee shall constitute a quorum for taking sworn testimony;

(3) Adoption of a restricted form of vote by proxy which may be used by absent members when a record vote is taken in committee or in a subcommittee thereof (proxy may be counted officially in final tabulation of vote only if majority of committee was present at time of vote);

(4) Appointment of membership, as indicated, to the following two subcommittees: (a) Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations—Senators McClellan, chairman, Jackson, Symington, Ervin, McCarthy, Mundt, and Bender, and (b) Subcommittee on Reorganization—Senators Kennedy, chairman, Humphrey, Thurmond, Symington, Smith of Maine, Cotton, and Martin of Iowa;

(5) Deferral of confirmation of full committee staff until Tuesday, January 25, and adoption of motion that the present staff continue to serve until that time; and

(6) Adoption of certain rules of procedure for the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations.

The committee will meet again on Tuesday, January 25, at which time it will consider rule 5, as well as staff matters.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held Thursday, January 20, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Four members of the President's Cabinet testified today at the second session of the public hearings being conducted in connection with H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Each urged enactment of the proposed legislation. The first witness, Secretary of Commerce Weeks, discussed the President's request for legislation to permit negotiation of trade agreements over a 3-year period. During that period, he said—

The President has proposed that he have authority, subject to procedural safeguards including the peril-point and escape-clause provisions of the existing legislation, to take any one of three alternative forms of action with respect to a given commodity, either (*a*) to reduce the tariff rate by not more than 5 percent of the present rate in each of the 3 years, or (*b*) in the event that the commodity is not being imported or is being imported only in negligible volume to reduce the 1945 tariff rate by not more than 50 percent over a 3-year period, or (*c*) in the event that the existing tariff rate is more than 50 percent ad valorem or its equivalent to reduce the rate to not less than 50 percent over a 3-year period.

The second witness was Secretary of Defense Wilson, who stated that—

It is important that we keep in mind the fact that the Communist threat in the world today is based upon more than an outright military threat. It includes an equally serious threat in the economic, the political, and the propaganda areas. * * * The stronger our allies are economically and militarily, the better for both them and ourselves. The final showdown between the free world and the Communist world may not be a military one. We hope not. It could very well be in the economic, political, and propaganda areas.

In the afternoon meeting, Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey said that the proposed bill was moderate—that it did not interfere with existing safeguards for our domestic producers, and did not contemplate any drastic changes which would adversely affect sizable groups of citizens. He added that—

I would like to mention one other broad principle in connection with the bill. From the budgetary viewpoint, the President's trade program should help to reduce Government expenditures for foreign aid over a period of time. I believe it is best, where possible, for foreign countries to earn their way, rather than receive aid from the U. S. Treasury. This bill is a further step in that direction. The Treasury Department is actively working on other aspects of the President's program to promote foreign trade and investment. These proposals will be submitted to the Congress shortly.

He was followed by Secretary of Labor Mitchell, who addressed his remarks as to the effect of the bill on American labor. He said—

I should like to discuss its benefits to American labor, as well as the safeguards it contains for the protection of specific industries and their workers against serious injury from excessive imports. Protection is afforded, of course, through the use of the peril-point and escape-clause procedures. It is also afforded through the requirement of consultation with executive agencies that have a direct concern with the operation or effect of the program.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when the first witness scheduled is Harold E. Stassen, Director of Foreign Operations Administration. He will be followed by public proponent witnesses.

Thursday, January 20, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House received President's Economic Report and approved minority committee assignments.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, January 21, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SITUATION, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: On Wednesday, January 19, the committee met to hear a discussion regarding current demand and farm price situation, and the exporting of surplus agricultural commodities under the Foreign Trade Act of 1954. Participants in this discussion were as follows: Ezra Taft Benson, Secretary; True D. Morse, Under Secretary; Earl L. Butz, Assistant Secretary; Don Paarlberg, assistant to the Secretary; James A. McConnell, Administrator, Preston Richards, Deputy Administrator for Price Support, and R. P. Beach, Director, Budget Division, all of Commodity Stabilization Service; Raymond A. Ioanes, Assistant Director, Foreign Trade Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service; and Oris V. Wells, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service—all of the Department of Agriculture; and Sam Waugh, Assistant Secretary of State.

Also, the committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Ervin L. Peterson and James A. McConnell, both to be Assistant Secretaries of Agriculture, and both to be members of Board of Directors of CCC.

Also, the committee announced that it had appointed Cotys M. Mouser as its chief clerk, and James M. Kendall as its assistant clerk.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: On Wednesday, January 19, the committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of David W. Kendall, of Michigan, to be General Counsel of Treasury Department, and Walter B. Heisel, of Alaska, to be collector of customs at Juneau. Mr. Kendall was present to answer questions in behalf of his own nomination.

Also, the committee announced that Mrs. Elizabeth B. Springer had been appointed as its chief clerk, and that the committee's regular meeting day would be on Wednesdays.

NOMINATIONS, MANILA TREATY, AND SITUATIONS IN KOREA AND FRANCE

Committee on Foreign Relations: On Wednesday, January 19, the committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following nominations: Henry A. Byroade, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to Egypt; George V. Allen, of North Carolina, and Loy W. Henderson, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretaries of State; James C. Bonbright, of New York, to be Ambassador to Portugal; James Clement Dunn, of New York, to be Ambassador to Brazil; John L. Tappin, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Libya; and 68 routine appointments in the Foreign Service.

Also, the committee held open hearings on the Southeast Asia Collective Defense Treaty (Exec. K, 83d Cong., 2d sess.), with testimony favoring its approval from Miss Freda Utley, representing the American China Policy Association. Testimony in opposition to this treaty was heard from former Representative Hamilton Fish, president, the American Political Action Committee, and Mrs. Agnes Waters, Washington, D. C.

In an afternoon executive session, the committee met for a discussion of the situation in Korea with C. Tyler Wood, Economic Coordinator in Korea, and of the situation in France with Ambassador C. Douglas Dillon.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee met in executive session for organizational purposes, following which it was announced that:

(1) It had appointed the following five subcommittees: (*a*) Subcommittee on Indian Affairs—Senators

O'Mahoney (chairman), Anderson, Neuberger, Watkins, and Goldwater; (*b*) Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation—Senators Anderson (chairman), Jackson, O'Mahoney, Millikin, and Watkins; (*c*) Subcommittee on Minerals, Materials, and Fuels—Senators Murray (chairman), Long, O'Mahoney, Scott, Malone, Dworshak, and Barrett; (*d*) Subcommittee on Public Lands—Senators Long (chairman), Anderson, Scott, Bible, Neuberger, Malone, Dworshak, Kuchel, and Barrett; and (*e*) Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs—Senators Jackson (chairman), Long, Bible, Kuchel, and Goldwater;

(2) It had authorized the chairman to report a resolution for continuation of special studies carried on by the Minerals, Materials, and Fuels Subcommittee, and a resolution authorizing additional temporary professional and clerical assistants;

(3) It had agreed to meet on Tuesday, January 25, to discuss future procedures to be followed in considering S. 49, providing statehood for Hawaii and Alaska;

(4) The full committee will direct the Minerals, Materials, and Fuels Subcommittee to study the stockpiling of minerals with reference to the effect of the stockpiling program on the domestic mining industry; and

(5) Richard L. Callaghan had been appointed as chief clerk of the committee, and Stewart French as chief counsel and staff director.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: The committee met in executive session for organizational purposes, following which it announced that:

(1) Standing subcommittees would be as follows: (*a*) Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments, (*b*) Subcommittee on Federal Charters, Holidays, and Celebrations, (*c*) Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, (*d*) Subcommittee on Improvements in Judicial Machinery, (*e*) Subcommittee on National Penitentiaries, (*f*) Subcommittee on Patents, Trademarks, and Copyrights, (*g*) Subcommittee on Revision and Codification, (*h*) Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly Legislation, and (*i*) Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights;

(2) Special subcommittees will consist of: (*a*) Special Subcommittee To Investigate the Administration of the Internal Security Act, and other internal security laws, (*b*) Special Subcommittee To Investigate Problems Connected With Emigration of Refugees and Escapees, (*c*) Special Subcommittee on Improvements in the Federal Criminal Code, (*d*) Special Subcommittee To Examine and Review the Administration of the Trading With the Enemy Act, and (*e*) Special Subcommittee To Study Juvenile Delinquency in the U. S.

ORGANIZATION, AND NOMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Joseph F. Finnegan, of New York, to be Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. Mr. Finnegan was present to answer questions in behalf of his own nomination.

On Wednesday, January 19, the committee held an executive, organizational meeting, and appointed Stewart E. McClure as its staff director, Roy E. James as assistant staff director, and William G. Reidy, Michael J. Bernstein, and John S. Forsythe as professional staff members.

SECURITY PROGRAM, AND COMMITTEE EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: On Wednesday, January 19, the committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. Res. 20, providing funds of $125,000 for continuation of the administration of the Government employees security program. Also, the committee ordered reported S. Res. 25, providing for one additional clerical assistant to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 162 public bills, H. R. 2531–2692, 107 private bills, H. R. 2693–2799, and 30 resolutions, H. J. Res. 143–158, H. Con. Res. 44–50, and H. Res. 94–100, were introduced. **Pages 484, 497, 506–512**

Economic Report: The Speaker announced the appointment to membership on the Joint Committee on the Economic Report of the following: Representatives Patman, Bolling, Mills, Kelley of Pennsylvania, Wolcott, Talle, and Curtis of Missouri. **Page 482**

President's Message—Economic Report: Heard a message from the President transmitting his economic report. The report was referred to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 31). **Pages 483–484**

Members Sworn: Representative Blatnik and Resident Commissioner A. Fernós-Isern, of Puerto Rico, presented themselves in the well of the House and took the oath of office. **Page 484**

Committee Size: Adopted H. Res. 94, providing for fixing the size of certain standing committees of the

House for the 84th Congress as follows: Committee on Armed Services at 37 members; Banking and Currency, 30; Education and Labor, 30; Foreign Affairs, 32; Government Operations, 30; Interior and Insular Affairs, 29; Interstate and Foreign Commerce, 31; Judiciary, 32; Merchant Marine and Fisheries, 29; and Public Works at 30 members. Page 484

Minority Committee Assignments: Adopted H. Res. 95, electing certain minority Members to membership on standing committees of the House. Page 484

Urgent Deficiency Appropriation: Concurred in Senate amendments to H. R. 2091, urgent deficiency appropriation bill for fiscal year 1955, and thereby cleared the bill for Presidential action. Pages 484–485

Majority Objectors: Announcement was made of the appointment of the official Democratic objectors as follows:

Consent Calendar: Representatives Deane, Aspinall, and Boland;

Private Calendar: Representatives Roberts, Jarman, and Boland. Page 496

Committee Elections: Adopted H. Res. 96, electing E. L. Bartlett, Delegate from Alaska, an additional member on the Committees on Agriculture, Armed Services, Merchant Marine and Fisheries, and Interior and Insular Affairs; also elected A. Fernós-Isern, Resident Commissioner to the United States from Puerto Rico, an additional member on the Committees on Agriculture, Armed Services, and Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 497

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:37 p. m.

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held executive meeting and discussed committee organization.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Testimony in support of H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, was presented today by the following witnesses—Representatives Springer and Gubser; Morris S. Rosenthal, Sr., counselor and chairman, research and planning committee, National Council of American Importers, Inc., New York City; S. A. Swensrud, chairman, Gulf Oil Corp.; M. J. Rathbone, president, Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey; H. W. Haight, president, Creole Petroleum Corp.; J. W. Foley, vice president and director, Texas Co.; Joseph M. Barr, president, United Aircraft Export Corp., East Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Oscar Ruedhausen, director, League of Women Voters; and Mrs. A. Paul Hartz, chairman of legislation, General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Proponent witnesses at yesterday's (Wednesday) session were Harold E. Stassen, Director, Foreign Operations Administration; James S. Schramm, vice chairman, Committee for a National Trade Policy; Benjamin Lazrus, chairman, Benrus Watch Co., New York City; S. Ralph Lazrus, president, and Millard E. Tydings, attorney, on behalf of the American Watch Association, Inc.; John Kinsey, export manager, Micromatic Hone Corp., Detroit, Mich.; and Irving C. Reynolds, chairman, Dairy Export Advisory Committee.

Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning. Proponent witnesses are scheduled to testify through next Tuesday's session.

Joint Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: On Wednesday, January 19, the committee held an executive, organizational meeting, following which it was announced that:

(1) Senator Anderson and Representative Durham had been elected the committee's chairman and vice chairman, respectively;

(2) It had adopted a resolution commending Representative Cole and Senator Hickenlooper for their service as chairman and vice chairman, respectively, during the 83d Congress;

(3) The committee will begin public and executive hearings on the "development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry," on Monday, January 31; and

(4) Corbin C. Allardice would serve as the executive director of the committee.

Today, Chairman Anderson announced the appointment of 2 new subcommittees, bringing the number of such units to 6. The new units are the Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation and the Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation. Listed below are all subcommittees and membership thereof:

(*a*) Subcommittee on Research and Development—Representatives Price (chairman), Durham, Hinshaw, and Van Zandt, and Senators Pastore, Gore, and Hickenlooper;

(*b*) Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation—Senators Pastore (chairman), Anderson, Hickenlooper, and Bricker, and Representatives Durham, Price, and Cole;

(*c*) Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation—Representatives Holifield (chairman), Durham, Kilday, and Cole, and Senators Gore, Hickenlooper, and Millikin;

(*d*) Subcommittee on Military Applications—Senators Jackson (chairman), Anderson, Pastore, and Bricker, and Representatives Holifield, Cole, and Van Zandt;

(*e*) Subcommittee on Security—Representatives Kilday (chairman), Dempsey, Hinshaw, and Patterson, and Senators Pastore, Jackson, and Knowland; and

(*f*) Subcommittee on Raw Materials—Senators Gore (chairman), Anderson, Millikin, and Knowland, and Representatives Holifield, Dempsey, and Patterson.

Friday, January 21, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate committee voted to report SEATO Treaty.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 529–563, 567–594

Bills Introduced: 114 bills and 16 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 549 to S. 662; S. J. Res. 22 to S. J. Res. 27; S. Con. Res. 4 to S. Con. Res. 6; and S. Res. 33 to S. Res. 39. **Pages 542–544, 555**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 36, extending to January 31, 1956, time within which Committee on Foreign Relations may complete study of technical assistance and related programs, pursuant to S. Res. 214 of the 83d Congress (S. Rept. 8);

S. 145, to provide for increased durum wheat acreage, with amendments (S. Rept. 9);

S. Res. 20, authorizing expenditure of $250,000 by Committee on Post Office and Civil Service for holding hearings and making investigations, with amendments (amendments would limit funds to $125,000 for investigation of Federal employees security program) (S. Rept. 10)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. Res. 25, authorizing continuation of employment of an additional clerical assistant by Committee on Post Office and Civil Service (S. Rept. 11)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration; S. Res. 38, extending to February 1, 1956, time within which Committee on Foreign Relations may make report on revisions of international peace and security programs (S. Rept. 12)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. Res. 37, authorizing additional funds of $40,000 for study by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of strategic and critical materials (no written report)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration;

S. Con. Res. 3, favoring temporary parking on square 723 of Capitol Grounds, with amendments (no written report);

S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditure of $60,000 by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to employ temporary additional assistants (no written report)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration; and

S. Res. 34, authorizing Committee on Labor and Public Welfare from February 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to employ four additional clerical assistants (no written report)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. **Pages 531–532**

President's Message: Senate received Economic Report of the President, which was referred to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report. **Page 529**

Capitol Parking: Senate adopted, with committee amendments, S. Con. Res. 3, favoring temporary permission for parking on square 723 of Capitol Grounds. **Page 531**

Federal Farm Credit Board: Special report of Federal Farm Credit Board, issued pursuant to section 2 of the Farm Credit Act of 1953, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 7. **Page 556**

Confirmations: The nominations of Robert C. Hendrickson, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and of John Lodge, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to Spain, were confirmed, along with 9 Coast and Geodetic Survey nominations and 1,510 Air Force nominations. **Pages 563–567**

Nominations: 3 civilian nominations were received, along with 828 Army and 24 Marine Corps nominations. **Pages 594–598**

Adojurnment: Adjourned at 3:51 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DURUM WHEAT ALLOTMENTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The committee ordered favorably reported with clarifying amendments S. 145, to provide for increased durum wheat acreage.

Prior to approval of the bill, hearings were held thereon, with testimony favoring its enactment from the following witnesses: Senators Young and Langer; Representatives Burdick and Krueger; James A. McConnell, Administrator, accompanied by T. B. Walker, Head of Program Analysis Branch, Grain Division, and Philip Talbott, Grain Division, all of Commodity Stabilization Service, Agriculture Department; Orris Nordhaugen, representing durum wheat growers, Leeds, N. Dak.; George H. Mikkelson, vice president, North Dakota Farm Bureau, Garske, N. Dak.; Ole L. Olson, president, board of directors, and J. K. Cook, durum merchandiser, both of Farmers Union Grain Terminal Association, St. Paul, Minn.; Roy F. Hendrickson, executive secretary, National Federation of Grain Cooperatives; Donald E. Stevens, vice president, General Mills, Minneapolis; Maurice L. Ryan, National Macaroni Manufacturers

Association, Minneapolis; Frank K. Woolley, legislative counsel, American Farm Bureau Federation; and Joseph O. Parker, legislative counsel, National Grange.

MANILA TREATY, AND COMMITTEE STUDY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, by a vote of 14 to 1, ordered favorably reported to the Senate the Southeast Asia Collective Defense Treaty (Exec. K, 83d Cong., 2d sess.).

Also, it was announced that the committee had previously approved for reporting an original resolution (S. Res. 36) to extend to January 31, 1956, the time for the Committee on Foreign Relations to make a study of technical assistance and related programs, pursuant to S. Res. 214 of the 83d Congress.

CAPITOL GROUNDS PARKING

Committee on Rules and Administration: On Thursday, January 20, the committee ordered favorably reported with amendments S. Con. Res. 3, favoring temporary permission for parking on square 723 of the Capitol Grounds.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, January 24, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATION—GI EDUCATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Held brief executive organizational meeting and discussed committee policy. Recessed until Monday, January 24 (10:30 a. m.), when it will consider H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952. Members of Congress and departmental officials are scheduled to testify.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Further testimony in support of the proposed bill (H. R. 1), to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, was received today from the following witnesses—John A. Baker, who presented the statement of James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers Union; Charles B. Shuman, president, American Farm Bureau Federation; Herschel D. Newsom, master, National Grange; D. E. Replogle, general chairman, Friends Committee on National Legislation; John C. White, counsel, American Cotton Shippers Association; Warren Lee Pierson, chairman, U. S. Council of the International Chamber of Commerce; Dr. Robert Reni, research director, who presented statement for Murray D. Lincoln, of the Cooperative League; Dr. Alzada Comstock for the American Association of University Women; Michael Straight, chairman, International Affairs Commission, American Veterans Committee; and B. A. Rittersporn, Jr., executive director, Committee on Foreign Trade Education, Inc., New York City. Recessed until Monday morning.

Monday, January 24, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received Presidential message on defense of Formosa.

House committee voted unanimously to report resolution authorizing President to employ U. S. Armed Forces for Formosan defense.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 602–624

Bills Introduced: 48 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 663 to S. 700; and S. J. Res. 28.

Pages 604–605

President's Message: Senate received message from President relative to American foreign policy in the Western Pacific, especially with reference to the Formosa Straits—referred jointly to Committees on Foreign Relations and Armed Services. Pages 600–601

Defense of Formosa: S. J. Res. 28, authorizing President to employ U. S. Armed Forces for protecting security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories to that area, was, by unanimous consent, referred jointly to Committees on Foreign Relations and Armed Services with authority to hold hearings thereon and to report their recommendations through the chairman of one of these committees. Pages 601–602

SEATO Treaty: Committee on Foreign Relations was granted authorization for filing of report on Southeast Asia Collective Defense Treaty (Exec. K, 83d Cong., 2d sess.) during any time the Senate is not in session. Page 616

Civil Service Retirement: Report of Civil Service Commission transmitting report of Board of Actuaries of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund for the fiscal year 1953 was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 8. Page 608

Confirmations: Nominations confirmed were: James C. Dunn, of New York, to be Ambassador to Brazil, Henry A. Byroade, of Indiana, to be Ambassador to Egypt, John L. Tappin, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Libya, and James C. H. Bonbright, of New York, to be Ambassador to Portugal; George V. Allen, of North Carolina, and Loy W. Henderson, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretaries of State; Ervin L. Peterson, of Oregon, and James A. McConnell, of New York, to be Assistant Secretaries of Agriculture; Joseph F. Finnegan, of New York, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director; 4 other civilian nominations; and 68 nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Servce. Page 624

Nomination: The nomination of Charles C. Finucane, of Washington, to be Under Secretary of the Army, was received. Page 624

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:25 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE OF FORMOSA

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: The committees met jointly in executive session to hear Secretary of State Dulles testify with regard to S. J. Res. 28, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area. The committee took no final action on this resolution, and will continue executive hearings tomorrow with testimony from the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

NOMINATIONS, AND COMMITTEE FUNDS

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee held hearings on the nominations of Glen E. Edgerton to be president, Lynn U. Stambaugh to be first vice president, and Hawthorne Arey, George A. Blowers, and Vance Brand to be members of the Board, all of the Export-Import Bank of Washington, D. C. The nominees were present to answer questions in their own behalf. The committee took no action on these nominations, and recessed subject to call.

With regard to S. Res. 23, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to investigate problems relating to economic stabilization and other matters, the committee announced that it had authorized the chairman to request an increase in amount of funds available under this resolution to $100,000 from the $50,000 request as reported from the committee.

REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Government Operations: The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations met in executive session for reorganizational purposes, following which it announced that the subcommittee had appointed Robert F. Kennedy as its chief counsel and staff director, and James N. Juliana as chief counsel for the minority. The subcommittee also approved other appointments to its staff.

NOMINATIONS, AND SUBCOMMITTEE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee held hearings on the nomination of Theophil Carl Kammholz, of Illinois, to be General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board. Senator Dirksen introduced and appeared on behalf of the nominee. Testimony in opposition to this nomination was heard from Henry L. Coco, Chicago Allied Printing Trades Council, Nicholas M. DiPietro, member of Chicago Typographical Union No. 16, and Lawrence A. Gruber, member of Chicago Photo-Engravers Union No. 5. Leon M. Despres, legal counsel for printing trades unions, appeared before the committee as counsel for Messrs. Coco, DiPietro, and Gruber. Mr. Kammholz appeared in behalf of his own nomination. The committee recessed subject to call of the Chair on this matter.

In an afternoon executive session, the committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution extending the authority and requesting additional funds of $150,000 for its Subcommittee on Employee Welfare and Pension Funds. The committee also ordered favorably reported 13 routine nominations in the Public Health Service.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 92 public bills, H. R. 2800–2891; 70 private bills, H. R. 2892–2961; and 15 resolutions, H. J. Res. 159–166, H. Con. Res. 51–54, and H. Res. 101–103, were introduced. Pages 639–643

Bills Reported: The following report was filed: H. J. Res. 159, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the United States for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area (H. Rept. 4). Page 639

Order of Business: Pursuant to a unanimous consent request the House agreed to make in order the consideration of a report from the Committee on Rules on Tuesday and to waive clause 21 of rule XI requiring a two-thirds vote prior to considering a report from the Rules Committee the same day it was reported. Page 625

President's Message—Formosa: Heard the reading of a message from the President requesting congressional sanction of use of the Armed Forces of the U. S. if necessary to assure the security of Formosa and the Pescadores, also for use in withdrawal of Chinese Nationalist forces.

The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 76). Pages 625–626

Resolution Referred: S. Con. Res. 3, favoring temporary permission for parking on square 723 of Capitol Grounds, was today referred to the Committee on Public Works. Page 638

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:57 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE OF FORMOSA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Voted unanimously to report to the House, without amendment, H. J. Res. 159, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area.

Following approval, Committee Chairman Richards made this statement—

The Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, and Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, appeared today before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives in executive session to testify in support of the resolution authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. to secure and protect the Formosa area.

After reviewing the mounting tensions caused by Communist Chinese attacks on Nationalist-held territory, the Secretary stressed the strategic importance to the U. S. of Formosa and the Pescadores and the importance of their remaining in friendly hands. He made the point that if, under present circumstances, the United States falls back under Communist China's threats of war and if all the outposts of Formosa are taken over one by one, Formosa would be less defensible. But, he continued, its security will have become problematical because the entire anti-Communist position in the Far East might then be crumbling under the impact of the aggressive achievements of the Chinese Communists and a feeling that our determination may be fading. In the eyes of millions of freedom-loving people in the Philippines, in Korea, in Japan, and throughout other Asian countries, the United States tolerance of the destruction of friendly forces and of Chinese Communist build-up against Formosa will be interpreted as an indication of United States uncertainty and weakness.

Mr. Dulles stated with vigor that he considers it imperative at this juncture that the U. S. should take a position of firmness backed by national unity. Failure to do so would invite miscalculations which could lead to a far more serious situation than exists today.

Admiral Radford supported wholeheartedly the views expressed by the Secretary. From the military viewpoint the island chain from the Aleutians to New Zealand is vital to the defense of the United States. A breach in any part of that chain would create a serious situation for this country in the Western Pacific.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Held organizational meeting and adopted procedural resolutions. Also selected chairmen for the following subcommittees—Public Lands, Representative Pfost; Irrigation and Reclamation, Representative Aspinall; Territories and Insular Affairs, Representative O'Brien of New York; Mines and Mining, Representative Rogers of Texas; and Indian Affairs, Representative Haley. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will begin hearings on proposed legislation to admit the Territories of Hawaii and Alaska to the Union.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held executive organizational meeting. Adopted resolutions of committee procedure and approved staff personnel. Recessed until Wednesday morning.

GI EDUCATION

Committee on Veterans Affairs: Held open hearing on H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952. The following Members of Congress testified—Representatives Scrivner, Trimble, Evins, Lane, Curtis of Massachusetts, Keating, Perkins,

Edmondson, Gross, Murray of Illinois, Boyle, Roosevelt, Johnson of Wisconsin, O'Hara of Illinois, and Carnahan. Other witnesses were Phillip S. Hughes, Bureau of the Budget; Guy H. Birdsall and Sam H. Coile, Veterans' Administration; Adin M. Downer, Veterans of Foreign Wars; and Raymond O. Winterbottom, AMVETS. Recessed until tomorrow when testimony will be received from officials of the Office of the Selective Service, Department of Defense, and American Legion.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Continuing with proponent witnesses, the committee received testimony from the following—Representative Feighan; Charles H. Percy, president, Bell & Howell Co.; Jere Patterson, president, International Advertising Association, Inc., New York City; James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer, CIO; Richard G. Gettell, for the U. S. Chamber of Commerce; J. B. Hutson, president, Tobacco Associates, Greenville, N. C.; Stacey Bender, Jr., chairman, Foreign Policy Committee, North Atlantic Ports Association; Samuel Nakasian, for the World Trade Committee of the Washington Board of Trade; Herbert N. Kraus, president, San Antonio World Trade Association; Ed P. Jackson, Jr., chairman, Louisville Foreign Trade Club; N. C. Rubin, for the Cleveland World Trade Association; and John C. Ray, for the Detroit Board of Commerce. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Representative Williams of New Jersey is the first of a schedule of proponent witnesses which includes officials of industrial groups and labor organizations.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee began its hearings, today in executive session, on the President's economic report, with testimony from Arthur F. Burns, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers. Mr. Burns was accompanied by Neil Jacoby and Walter Stewart, both members of the Council.

Hearings continue Wednesday, January 26.

Tuesday, January 25, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House approved resolution authorizing use of U. S. Armed Forces in Formosa defense.

Bill to continue accrual of GI educational benefits approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 26, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE OF FORMOSA

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: The committees concluded their joint executive hearings on S. J. Res. 28, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area. Testimony was heard today from Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, Army Chief of Staff, Adm. Robert B. Carney, Chief of Naval Operations, and Gen. L. C. Shepherd, Jr., Commandant of the Marine Corps, all members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The committees will hold a joint executive session tomorrow to mark up this joint resolution for reporting to the Senate.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS AND ORGANIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: Committee met in executive session and unanimously agreed to:

(1) Adopt rule 5 of the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, as follows:

5. Any two Members of the subcommittee shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of taking testimony under oath in any given case or subject matter before this subcommittee, as authorized by S. Res. 180, 81st Congress, 2d session. (Other rules approved at meeting of January 18, 1955);

(2) Order favorably reported without amendment S. 613, to extend the Reorganization Act of 1949 from April 1, 1955, to April 1, 1957, and with technical amendments S. 539, to amend the act of July 10, 1953, which created the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations;

(3) Authorize the reporting of an original resolution requesting funds of $190,000 plus unexpended balance of approximately $2,000 under S. Res. 189 of the 83d Congress for the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations;

(4) Hold hearings on the nomination of Joseph Campbell, to be Comptroller General of the U. S., beginning Wednesday, February 2, 1955;

(5) Refer to the Subcommittee on Reorganization the following bills: (*a*) S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security (Acting Subcommittee Chairman Humphrey indicated that hearings will probably be held on this joint resolution in the near future), and (*b*) S. 317, to supersede certain provisions of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1946 with respect to the Bureau of Land Management of the Department of Interior; and

(6) Confirm the appointment of Walter L. Reynolds as chief clerk and staff director of the committee, Ann M. Grickis as assistant chief clerk, and Glenn K. Shriver, Eli E. Nobleman, and Richard J. O'Melia as professional staff members.

JUDICIAL AND CONGRESSIONAL SALARIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Special subcommittee began hearings on S. 462, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, and of Members of Congress, and S. 540, to increase the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, and to provide that Members of Congress shall receive salary comparable to that of judges of the U. S. district courts. Favoring testimony, most of which was directed to the bill S. 462, was heard from the following witnesses: Attorney General Herbert Brownell, Jr.; Lloyd Wright, president, and Morris Mitchell, chairman of the committee of judicial selection, tenure, and compensation, both of the American Bar Association; Bernard G. Segal, chairman, and Charles S. Rhyne, general counsel, both of the Commission on Judicial and Congressional Salaries; Charles B. Murray, former president of the Bar Association, District of Columbia; former Judge Harold M. Kennedy, of New York; Judge Paul W. Brosman, U. S. Court of Military Appeals; Chief Judge Harold M. Stephens, U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia; and former Judge Evan Howell, U. S. Court of Claims, Washington, D. C. Hearings continue Friday, January 28.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. Res. 33, authorizing Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to make a study and investigation with respect to the administration of civil service system by the CSC and other Government agencies. The committee also announced that it would begin open hearings on Friday, January 28, on S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, and S. 67, to adjust rates of basic compensation of Federal employees, and that these hearings would be continued through the week of January 31 to February 4.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 58 public bills, H. R. 2962–3019; 62 private bills, H. R. 3020–3081; 17 resolutions, H. J. Res. 167–174, H. Con. Res. 55 and 56, and H. Res. 104–110, were introduced. **Pages 686–689**

Bills Reported: The following reports were filed:

H. Res. 104, closed rule providing 2 hours of debate on H. J. Res. 159, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area (H. Rept. 5);

H. R. 2576, to amend the Reorganization Act, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before April 1, 1958 (H. Rept. 6);

H. Res. 109, open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H. R. 2576, to amend the Reorganization Act, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before April 1, 1958 (H. Rept. 7); and

H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 (H. Rept. 8).

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Formosa: On a rollcall vote of 410 yeas to 3 nays the House adopted H. J. Res. 159, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area. H. Res. 104, the closed rule making in order the consideration of the legislation, was adopted previously by a voice vote.

Pages 659–681

Order of Business: Calendar Wednesday business, in order on January 26, was dispensed with pursuant to a unanimous-consent requirement. **Page 683**

Capitol Parking: Adopted S. Con. Res. 3, favoring temporary permission for parking on square 723 of Capitol Grounds, and thereby concluded action thereon.

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Joint Meeting: It was announced that on Thursday, January 27, the House and Senate will meet jointly to hear an address by the President of the Republic of Haiti.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:27 p. m.

Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Agriculture: Held its organizational meeting. Made no announcement.

Committee on Armed Services: Held its organizational meeting. Announced selection of the following subcommittee chairmen—Representative Brooks of Louisiana (No. 1), Representative Kilday (No. 2), and Representative Durham (No. 3). Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will conduct a military briefing with Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson and Adm. Arthur Radford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Committee on Banking and Currency: Postponed its executive organizational meeting until Thursday, January 27.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Began hearings on H. R. 2535, and similar bills, relating to admission of Alaska and Hawaii into the Union. Delegates Farrington, of Hawaii, and Bartlett, of Alaska, urged immediate favorable action on the proposal. Other committee members were requested to furnish views on the subject. Following the defeat of a motion to refer study of the proposed legislation to subcommittee, it was announced that hearings on Alaska-Hawaii statehood would be resumed on Friday morning.

ORGANIZATION—POSTAL-FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Held its executive organizational meeting. Announced that hearings would begin next Tuesday morning on legislation relating to postal and Federal employees' pay and classification, with Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield scheduled to be the first witness. It was also announced that Representatives Murray and Rees would introduce bills in the House today relating to pay-raise and postal rate-increase legislation.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Public Works: Held its organizational meeting and announced selection of the following subcommittee chairmen—Rivers and Harbors, Representative Blatnik; Flood Control, Representative Davis of Tennessee; Roads, Representative Fallon; and Public Buildings and Grounds, Representative Jones of Alabama.

DEFENSE OF FORMOSA

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule providing for 2 hours of general debate on H. J. Res. 159, authorizing the President to employ the U. S. Armed Forces for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area. The rule also provided that no amendments could be offered except by direction of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and one motion to recommit. Representatives Richards, Chiperfield, Gordon, and Vorys were heard in support of the legislation. Representative Fulton spoke in opposition to the closed rule.

Also granted an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 2576, to amend the Reorganization Act so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before April 1, 1958. Representative Dawson of Illinois appeared in support of the bill.

Recessed until tomorrow (10:30 a. m.) when it will consider a rule on H. R. 587, the GI educational benefit bill.

GI EDUCATION BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported favorably, with certain amendments, H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952. In public hearings, before this action was taken, testimony was received from the following witnesses—Lewis B. Hershey, Director, Selective Service System; Gus C. Lee, Director, Manpower Utilization for Assistant Secretary of Defense; Col. H. H. Fulton, Adjutant General's Office, Department of the Army; Col. H. E. Townsend, Military Personnel Policy Division, Department of Defense; and Miles D. Kennedy and Cecil Munson, of the American Legion.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will meet executively with H. V. Higley, Veterans' Administrator, and other officials of that agency for orientation and briefing of its operations.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded with the last of its schedule of proponent witnesses today on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. The following testified—Representative Williams of New Jersey; David J. McDonald, president, United Steel Workers of America; Daniel Bell, president and chairman of the board, American Security & Trust Co.; Bernard Weitzer, national legislative director, Jewish War Veterans of the U. S. A.; Robert R. Nathan, chairman, executive committee, Americans for Democratic Action; Wade G. McCargo, past president, National Retail Dry Goods Association;

A. T. Brown, executive vice president, Caterpillar Tractor Co.; Howard C. Petersen, chairman of the international subcommittee of the research and policy committee, Committee for Economic Development; Arthur B. Sinkler, on behalf of the American Watch Manufacturing Association; George Donat, liaison executive, Overseas Division, Park, Davis & Co.; Henry A. J. Ralph, vice president and manager, Bank of America International; Hartman Barber, general representative, Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks; T. W. Hardy, vice president, Hardy Salt Co., St. Louis, Mo.; Charles Helin, Detroit, Mich.; George W. Morgan, president, Association of American Ship Owners; and Robert E. Rodes, New York City. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Philip D. Reed, chairman of the board, General Electric Co., is scheduled to testify in support of the bill. Following this witness the committee will hear testimony from opponents of the proposal.

Joint Committee Meetings

MILITARY LIAISON COMMITTEE REPORT

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee met in executive session to receive a routine classified report from Chairman of the Military Liaison Committee Herbert B. Loper.

Wednesday, January 26, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed durum wheat bill.

Bill extending the Reorganization Act passed by House.

Senate Committees, by vote of 27 to 2, reported authorization for President to employ Armed Forces in defense of Formosa.

Bill to continue accrual of GI educational benefits cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 705–733

Bills Introduced: 54 bills and 18 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 701–754; S. J. Res. 29–31; and S. Res. 40–54. **Pages 709–712, 719**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 28, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area (S. Rept. 13);

Interim report on a review of the U. N. Charter, pursuant to S. Res. 126 and 193 of 83d Congress (S. Rept. 14);

S. 539, to amend the act of July 10, 1953, which created the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, with amendments (S. Rept. 15);

S. 613, to extend the Reorganization Act of 1949 from April 1, 1955, to April 1, 1957, with amendments (S. Rept. 16);

S. Res. 49, extending through February 28, 1955, the authority to function of 6 subcommittees of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary (S. Rept. 17);

S. Res. 48, authorizing compensation for certain employees of former Senator Bowring (S. Rept. 18);

S. Res. 13, authorizing Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate certain problems relating to interstate and foreign commerce (S. Rept. 19);

S. Res. 40, extending through January 31, 1956, authority of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to investigate employee welfare and pension plans and authorizing expenditure of an additional $150,000 for that purpose (no written report);

S. Res. 41, authorizing Committee on Government Operations to employ from February 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, temporary assistants, and authorizing expenditure of an additional $190,000 by the committee (no written report);

S. Res. 50, 51, 52, 53, and 54, authorizing compensation for certain employees of former Senators Upton, Brown, Burke, Crippa, and Lennon, respectively (no written reports);

S. Res. 25, authorizing employment through January 31, 1956, of an additional clerical assistant by Committee on Post Office and Civil Service (no written report); and

S. Res. 34, authorizing employment through January 31, 1956, of 4 additional clerical assistants by Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (no written report).

Pages 708–710

Boards of Visitors: It was announced that Senator Green has been reappointed a member of the Board of Visitors to the U. S. Coast Guard Academy, and Senator Purtell also has been appointed a member thereof. It was also announced that Senators Butler and Ervin had been appointed to the Board of Visitors of the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy. Page 705

Durum Wheat: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 145, to provide for increased durum wheat acreage. Pages 733–735

Routine Resolutions Adopted: The following 5 routine resolutions were adopted: S. Res. 43, directing the preparation and publication of the Senate Rules and Manual; S. Res. 44, naming Senators Hayden, Green, and Jenner to the Joint Committee on Printing, and Senators Green, Mansfield, Gore, McCarthy, and Barrett to the Joint Committee on the Library; and S. Res. 45, 46, and 47, authorizing gratuities to the survivors of 3 deceased Senate employees. Page 709

Treaty Received: Senate received Convention on Great Lakes fisheries between U. S. and Canada, signed at Washington on September 10, 1954 (Exec. B, 84th Cong., 1st sess.)—referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Page 705

Treaty Withdrawn: Great Lakes Fishery Convention, signed at Washington on April 2, 1946, and submitted to the Senate on April 22, 1946 (Exec. C, 79th Cong., 2d sess.) was withdrawn. Page 705

Treaty Reported: Southeast Asia Collective Defense Treaty and protocol thereto, signed at Manila on September 8, 1954 (Exec. K, 83d Cong., 2d sess.), was reported on January 25 under authority granted (Exec. Rept. 1). Page 705

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:45 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE OF FORMOSA

Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations: The committees, in executive session, by a vote of 27 to 2, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. J. Res. 28, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee unanimously approved for reporting the following nominations: Philip A. Ray, of California, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce; Kenneth H. Tuggle, of Kentucky, and Everett Hutchinson, of Texas, to be members of the Interstate Commerce Commission; and G. Joseph Minetti, of New York, and Ben H. Guill, of Texas, to be members of the Federal Maritime Board.

Prior to the approval of these nominations, open hearings were held thereon where the nominees appeared to answer questions in their own behalf. Senator Daniel introduced Messrs. Hutchinson and Guill to the committee.

ROUTINE COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, took the following actions:

(1) Ordered favorably reported, *without amendment,* S. Res. 13, authorizing Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate certain problems relating to interstate and foreign commerce ($200,000); S. Res. 25, authorizing continuation of employment of an additional clerical assistant by Committee on Post Office and Civil Service; S. Res. 34, authorizing Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to employ 4 additional clerical assistants; and S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditure of $60,000 by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to employ temporary additional assistants; *amended,* S. Res. 23, authorizing Committee on Banking and Currency to investigate problems relating to economic stabilization and mobilization (amended to provide total funds of $100,000); S. Res. 28, extending authority of Committee on Armed Services to hold hearings and investigations (amended to extend authority to February 28, 1955, instead of March 31, 1955); and S. Res. 37, authorizing additional funds for study by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of strategic and critical materials (amended to provide total funds of $70,000); and an original resolution combining the provisions and extending authority thereunder to January 31, 1956, of S. Res. 36, extending time within which Committee on Foreign Relations may complete study of technical assistance and related programs, and S. Res. 38, extending time within which Committee on Foreign Relations may make report on revisions of international peace and security programs;

(2) Appointed subcommittees as follows: (*a*) Subcommittee on Rules—Senators Green (chairman), Hayden, and Jenner; (*b*) Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections—Senators Hennings (chairman), Gore, and Curtis; (*c*) Subcommittee on Printing—Senators Green (chairman), Hayden, and Jenner; (*d*) Subcommittee on the Library—Senators Green (chairman), Mansfield, and Barrett; (*e*) Subcommittee on Smithsonian Institution—Senators Gore (chairman), Green, and McCarthy; and (*f*) Subcommittee on the Restaurant—Senators Mansfield (chairman), Gore, and Curtis;

(3) Approved an original resolution (S. Res. 44) naming Senators Hayden, Green, and Jenner to the Joint Committee on Printing, and Senators Green, Mansfield, Gore, McCarthy, and Barrett to the Joint Committee on the Library;

(4) Approved an original resolution (S. Res. 43) directing the preparation and publication of the Senate Rules and Manual;

(5) Approved 3 original resolutions (S. Res. 45–47) authorizing gratuities to the survivors of 3 deceased Senate employees;

(6) Approved 6 original resolutions (S. Res. 48 and 50–54) authorizing payment of compensation for a certain period to employees of 6 former Senators; and

(7) An original resolution (S. Res. 49) extending through February 28, 1955, the authority to function of 6 subcommittees of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary (Subcommittees: (*a*) on Immigration and Naturalization, (*b*) on National Penitentiaries, (*c*) To Investigate the Administration of the Internal Security Act, (*d*) To Investigate Problems Connected With Emigration of Refugees and Escapees, (*e*) To Examine and Review the Administration of the Trading With the Enemy Act, and (*f*) To Study Juvenile Delinquency in the U. S.).

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 67 public bills, H. R. 3082–3148; 53 private bills, H. R. 3149–3201; and 12 resolutions, H. J. Res. 175–178, H. Con. Res. 57, and H. Res. 111–117, were introduced. **Pages 769, 796–798**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 111, closed rule providing for 1 hour of debate on and the limiting of amendments to H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952 (H. Rept. 9);

H. Res. 112, authorizing and directing the Committee on Armed Services to conduct a full and complete investigation and study of all matters relating to procurement by the Department of Defense, personnel of such Department, laws administered by such Department, use of funds by such Department, and scientific research in support of the armed services (H. Rept. 10); and

H. Res. 114, creating select committee to conduct a study and investigation of the problems of small business (H. Rept. 11). **Page 796**

Reorganization: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 2576, to further amend the Reorganization Act of 1949, as amended, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before April 1, 1958. Prior to its passage amendments were rejected that sought to limit the extension to 2 years and 1 year in lieu of 3 years as provided in the bill. Also rejected an amendment designed to eliminate the requirement of a constitutional majority vote to veto a proposed plan.

H. Res. 109, the rule providing for the consideration of and 1 hour of debate on the bill, was previously adopted by a voice vote. **Pages 770–791**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:18 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY BRIEFING

Committee on Armed Services: Met with Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson and Adm. Arthur Radford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, for briefing of military program. An executive session followed the open hearing. Committee recessed until tomorrow morning when it will meet executively with Secretaries of the Air Force, Navy, and Army, each accompanied by his military chief.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Held its executive organizational meeting and adopted procedural resolutions. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TANKERS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met executively for discussion of legislation passed in the 83d Congress, relating to action and progress of the tanker trade-in and building program. Louis S. Rothschild, Maritime Administrator, met with the committee during the session and is scheduled to return when it resumes on the same subject tomorrow.

GI EDUCATION—INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule providing for 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952. Representatives Teague of Texas and Rogers of Massachusetts spoke in favor of the proposal.

Also ordered reported to the House H. Res. 112 and H. Res. 114. Titles for these investigatory resolutions may be found under Bills Reported in this DIGEST.

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in executive session and held a general discussion and orientation of

Veterans' Administration officials. The following were heard—Harvey V. Higley, Administrator; John C. Patterson, Deputy Administrator; Charles G. Beck, Deputy Administrator for Insurance; Ralph Stone, Deputy Administrator for Benefits; Adm. Joel T. Boone, Chief Medical Director; and other VA officials. Recessed until tomorrow morning to resume on same subject.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Philip D. Reed, chairman of the board, General Electric Co., testified today in support of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. This completed the list of proponent witnesses to be heard at this time. Opposition testimony was then received from the following schedule of witnesses—Donald Loker, president, California Fish Canners Association; J. J. Lerch, attorney, New York City; Richard H. Anthony, executive secretary, American Tariff League; George J. Burger, vice president, National Federation of Independent Business; O. R. Strackbein, chairman, Nation-Wide Committee of Industry, Agriculture, and Labor; Mrs. William D. Leetch, secretary, American Coalition; L. B. McKinley, vice president, Bausch & Lomb Optical Co.; James C. Jacobson, president, Voland & Sons, Inc.; W. C. Carpenter, vice president, R. Thomas & Sons Co.; Joseph M. Wells, Sr., on behalf of the United States Potters Association; J. J. Stein, secretary, California Pottery Guild; L. K. Friedman, vice president, Homer Laughlin China Co.; E. L. Torbert, vice president, Vitrified China Association; and E. L. Wheatley, first vice president, International Brotherhood of Operative Potters.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when opponents of the pending legislation will continue to be heard.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee continued its hearings with a general discussion today of the appraisal of the economic philosophy and facts underlying the President's economic report. Witnesses heard were as follows: Aryness Joy Wickens, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Employment Statistics, Labor Department; Louis Paradiso, Office of Business Economics, Commerce Department; William F. Butler, consulting economist, Chase National Bank; Gerhard Colm, chief economist, National Planning Association; Martin Gainsbrugh, chief economist, National Industrial Conference Board; Dexter M. Keezer, Department of Economics, McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., New York; Leon H. Keyserling, president of Conference on Economic Progress, and formerly Chairman of Council of Economic Advisers; Heinz Luedicke, editor, Journal of Commerce, New York; and Stanley Ruttenberg, Department of Education and Research, CIO.

Calvin Hoover, professor of economics, Duke University, and formerly president of the American Economic Association, submitted a statement for the record.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Thursday, January 27, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses heard President of Haiti in a joint meeting.

Senate took up resolution authorizing employment of U. S. Armed Forces in Formosa defense.

House passed bill continuing veterans' education and training benefits.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 807–815

Bills Introduced: 33 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 755 to S. 787; S. J. Res. 32 and S. J. Res. 33; and S. Con. Res. 7. **Pages 808–809, 812**

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 2576, to amend the Reorganization Act of 1949, as amended, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans submitted to Congress prior to April 1, 1958, was placed on calendar. **Page 813**

Defense of Formosa: Senate took up and debated H. J. Res. 159, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area. **Pages 818–852**

Confirmations: 25 civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of Leverett Edwards, of Oklahoma, to be a member of the National Mediation Board; Kenneth H. Tuggle, of Kentucky, and Everett Hutchinson, of Texas, to be Interstate Commerce Commissioners; G. Joseph Minetti, of New York, and Ben H. Guill,

of Texas, to be members of the Federal Maritime Board; 6 Coast Guard nominations, and 13 nominations in the Public Health Service. Page 852

Nomination: The nomination of John Sherman Cooper, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to India and Nepal, was received. Page 852

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:42 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction met in executive session and approved the following projects:

Army acquisitions Nos. 101 at Atchison, Kans.; 102, 108, and 109 at Baltimore, Md.; 106 at Fort Bragg, N. C.; and 116 at Pontiac, Mich.; and

Air Force acquisition No. 260 at Minot AFB, N. Dak.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee began hearings on proposed school construction legislation (S. 4, 5, 480, 522, and 686), with favoring testimony from the following witnesses: Senators Clements and Kerr; Representative Watts; J. Marvin Dodson, executive secretary, Kentucky Education Association; Wendell P. Butler, superintendent of public instruction of the State of Kentucky; Mrs. Agnes Meyer, author and lecturer, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Edward Gray, National Congress of Parents and Teachers, Washington, D. C.; William C. Hinkley, superintendent of schools, Aurora, Colo.; and F. E. Willingham, superintendent of schools, Tecumseh, Okla., who was introduced to the committee by Senator Kerr.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 60 public bills, H. R. 3202–3261; 30 private bills, H. R. 3262–3291; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 179–181, H. Con. Res. 58–60, and H. Res. 118, were introduced. Pages 887–889

Haiti: President Magloire of the Republic of Haiti delivered an address before a joint meeting of both Houses of Congress. He was escorted to and from the chamber by Senators Clements, Saltonstall, Green, and Wiley; Representatives McCormack, Martin, Richards, and Chiperfield. Pages 852–854

Intergovernmental Relations: Passed H. R. 2010, to amend the act of July 10, 1953, which created the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, after adopting an amendment. The amendment extends for 30 days the date of the Commission's final report and termination date from June 1, 1955, to June 30, 1955. Page 855

Department of Defense: Adopted, by a voice vote, H. Res. 112, authorizing and directing the Committee on Armed Services to conduct a full and complete investigation and study of all matters relating to procurement by the Department of Defense, personnel of such Department, laws administered by such Department, use of funds by such Department, and scientific research in support of the armed services. Pages 855–856

Small Business: Adopted H. Res. 114, creating a select committee to conduct a study and investigation of the problems of small business. Pursuant to this resolution the Speaker subsequently appointed the membership of the committee as follows: Representatives Patman (chairman), Evins, Multer, Yates, Steed, Roosevelt, Hill, Riehlman, Seely-Brown, McCulloch, and Sheehan. Pages 856–857

Veterans' Educational Benefits: By a rollcall vote of 366 yeas to no nays the House passed H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, after adopting a committee amendment to shorten the cut-off date of all education and training by 2 years to January 31, 1965. H. Res. 111, the closed rule providing for the consideration of the bill, was adopted previously by a voice vote. Pages 857–868

Committee Resignation: Received and read letter from Representative Bush resigning from membership on the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Page 868

Bill Referred: S. 145, to provide for increased durum wheat acreage, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Page 886

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:08 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings subcommittee met to consider bills pending before the committee relating to cotton. Members of Congress from cotton areas throughout the country attended and participated in the discussions. Department of Agriculture officials present were James M. McConnell, Assistant

Secretary; Earl M. Hughes, Administrator, Commodity Stabilization Service, and Marion F. Rhodes, of the same office; and Joseph Moss, Solicitor's office.

Also heard the following witnesses in connection with decrease in cotton acreage of small farmers in Lavaca and Fayette Counties, Tex.—Herman Hanslik, farmer, president of Lavaca County Farm Bureau, representing Moulton (Tex.) Chamber of Commerce; Joe Hart, La Grange, Tex., attorney for Farm Bureau and president of La Grange Chamber of Commerce; Ivan Antosh, farmer, Schulenburg, Tex., and secretary-treasurer of Fayette County Farm Bureau; Arthur Citaler, farmer, La Grange, Tex., and president of Fayette County Farm Bureau; C. T. Jacobs, farmer, Hallettsville, Tex., and chairman of Agriculture Program Committee, Lavaca County Farm Bureau; W. F. Hoffman, La Grange, Tex., chairman of Agriculture Committee, La Grange Chamber of Commerce; Clade Walhausen, Shiner, Tex., banker, representing Shiner Chamber of Commerce; and W. R. Keuper, Schulenburg, Tex., chairman of Agriculture Committee, Schulenburg Chamber of Commerce.

MILITARY BRIEFING

Committee on Armed Services: Met with officials of the Defense Department to hear views with respect to national defense policies and programs. Testifying at the session were Secretary of the Air Force Harold E. Talbott, and Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas is scheduled to testify.

ORGANIZATION—BANK HOLDINGS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held its executive organizational meeting. Announced that public hearings would begin February 28 on H. R. 2674, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies.

POWER—TRADE—COMMERCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Announced that public hearings would be conducted with the following agencies—Federal Power Commission, February 1; Federal Trade Commission, February 3; and Interstate Commerce Commission, February 8.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Held executive organizational meeting. Appointed and approved subcommittees and staff.

TANKERS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued executive discussion of legislation passed in the 83d Congress, relating to action and progress of the tanker trade-in and building program. Louis S. Rothschild, Maritime Administrator, met during the session again today. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Continued executive discussion and orientation of Veterans' Administration officials. Meeting further for this purpose were Harvey V. Higley, Administrator; John C. Patterson, Deputy Administrator; Charles G. Beck, Deputy Administrator for Insurance; Ralph Stone, Deputy Administrator for Benefits; Adm. Joel T. Boone, Chief Medical Director; and other VA officials.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Opposition to the proposed bill (H. R. 1) to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, was furnished today in testimony from the following witnesses—Representative Gathings; Gwilym A. Price, president, Westinghouse Electric Corp.; Edgar M. Queeny, chairman of the board, Monsanto Chemical Co.; Fred G. Singer, chairman, International Trade and Tariff Committee, Manufacturing Chemists Association, Inc.; Calvin Campbell, vice president and general counsel, Dow Chemical Co.; Samuel Lenher, president, Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers Association; E. M. May, president, Otto B. May, Inc.; D. G. Rogers, president, National Aniline & Chemical Division, Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.; Sidney C. Moody, vice president, American Cyanamid Co.; Joseph Courtney, on behalf of the American Glassware Association; Bernard Ring, vice president and sales manager, Kent Metal & Chemical Corp.; Harry H. Cook, president, American Flint Glass Workers Union; William A. Daugherty, president, Ohio Glass & Pottery Workers Protective League; and Alexander J. Balcerek, on behalf of the Pennsylvania Glassworkers Protective League.

Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning with opposition witnesses scheduled to continue.

Joint Committee Meetings

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Committee met in executive session with representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission and Department of Defense to discuss matters pertaining to their departments.

Also, with regard to the Dixon-Yates contract, the committee announced that it will meet tomorrow to consider a resolution submitted by Senator Gore, which resolution would rescind the committee resolution of waiver adopted November 13, 1954, and would declare that it is the sense of the committee that the Dixon-Yates contract is not in the public interest, and that the committee recommends that the AEC take appropriate steps to cancel this contract.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Continuing its hearings on the President's economic report, the com-

mittee today heard a discussion of economic problems in industrial areas, including the textile, coal, farm equipment, railroad, and automobile industries. Witnesses participating were Solomon Barkin, Textile Workers Union of America, CIO; Leo Fishman, professor of economics, University of West Virginia; Seymour Harris, professor of economics, Harvard University, and research director of the New England Governors Committee on the Textile Industry; Bernard J. Moran, states attorney, Rock Island, Ill.; Douglas Fraser, UAW, CIO; Arthur G. McDowell, Upholsterers International Union of North America, AFL; Lester Thomas, UMW; B. H. Parsons, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; Victor Roterus, Office of Technical Services, Commerce Department; and Robert C. Goodwin, Director of Bureau of Employment Statistics, Labor Department.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Friday, January 28, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate by 85 yeas to 3 nays adopted and cleared for White House resolution authorizing President to employ Armed Forces in defense of Formosa.

Atomic Energy Committee approved committee resolution calling for cancellation of Dixon-Yates contract.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 903–920

Bills Introduced: 59 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 788–S. 846; S. Res. 55.

Pages 906–907, 990

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 23, authorizing Committee on Banking and Currency to investigate problems relating to economic stabilization and mobilization, with an amendment to provide total funds to $100,000 (S. Rept. 20);

S. Res. 28, extending to March 31, 1955, authority of Committee on Armed Services to hold hearings and investigations, with an amendment to extend the authority to February 28, 1955 (S. Rept. 21);

S. Res. 37, authorizing additional funds for study by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs of strategic and critical materials, with an amendment to provide total funds of $70,000 therefor (S. Rept. 22);

S. Res. 36, extending to January 31, 1956, time within which Committee on Foreign Relations may complete study of technical assistance and related programs, pursuant to S. Res. 214 of the 83d Congress ($24,000 authorization), with an amendment in the nature of a substitute which would also grant same extension of time to this committee to make studies of proposals to modify existing international peace and security programs, pursuant to S. Res. 126 and 193, 83d Congress ($28,000 authorization) (S. Rept. 23); and

S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditure of $60,000 by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to employ temporary additional assistants, with an amendment (S. Rept. 24). Page 905

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 918

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 2010, to amend the act of July 10, 1953, which created the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, was placed on calendar. Page 918

Defense of Formosa: By 85 yeas to 3 nays, Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. J. Res. 159, authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area.

Prior to passage, Senate rejected these amendments, as follows:

By 3 yeas to 83 nays, Langer amendment providing that resolution shall not be construed to authorize President to use Armed Forces on the China mainland or to intervene in defense of any island controlled by Chinese Nationalists within 12 miles of China coast, except to assist in evacuation of Nationalists from such islands; by 11 yeas to 75 nays, Kefauver amendment (in the nature of a substitute) declaring it to be sense of Congress that President has authority to employ Armed Forces to defend Formosa and the Pescadores, including the taking of such other measures therefor consistent with international law and the U. N. charter; by 13 yeas to 74 nays, Lehman amendment to eliminate language that would authorize protection of security of related positions and territories of the Formosa area and the taking of such other measures as the President judges necessary or appropriate in assuring defense of area; and by voice vote, Malone amendment declaring it to

be sense of Senate that U. S. should suspend diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia.

S. J. Res. 28, the companion measure, was indefinitely postponed following passage of H. J. Res. 159.

Pages 920–995

Washington's Farewell Address: Vice President appointed Senator Bush to read Washington's Farewell Address to the Senate on February 22. Page 995

Federal Records Council: Vice President appointed Felton M. Johnston as member on part of the Senate of the Federal Records Council vice J. Mark Trice, resigned. Page 995

Nominations: 13 civilian nominations were received, including 8 in the Public Health Service and 2 in the Coast Guard. Page 995

Adjournment: Adjourned at 9:54 p. m.

Committee Meetings

JUDICIAL AND CONGRESSIONAL SALARIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Special subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 462, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, and of Members of Congress, and S. 540, to increase the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, and to provide that Members of Congress shall receive salary comparable to that of judges of the U. S. district courts. Testimony favoring the principles of this proposed legislation was received from the following witnesses: William P. Rogers, Deputy Attorney General of the U. S.; Chief Judge Harold M. Stephens, U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia; Judge Don N. Laramore, U. S. Court of Claims; Marion T. Bennett, Commissioner of the U. S. Court of Claims; Henry L. Woolfender, president, State Bar of Michigan; and Charles S. Rhyne, general counsel to the Commission on Judicial and Congressional Salaries. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee continued its hearings on bills relating to school construction (S. 4, 5, 480, 522, and 686), with favoring testimony from the following witnesses: Representatives Perkins and Reuss; Tim Brenaham, student at Zebulon School, Pike County, Ky.; Claude Farley, superintendent of schools, Pike County, Ky.; Dr. William G. Carr, executive secretary, National Education Association; Dr. John K. Norton, Teachers College, Columbia University; Andrew Biemiller, AFL; Sarah Borchardt, American Federation of Teachers; S. Gordon Carter, New York State Teachers Association; Jordan Larson, president, American Association of School Administrators; C. A. Carson, superintendent of schools, Tucson, Ariz.; Albert Sear, superintendent of schools, Fort Kent, Maine; and John W. McLeod, American Institute of Architects. Hearings continue January 31.

POSTAL SALARY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee began hearings on S. 1 and S. 773, to increase rates of basic compensation of postmasters, officers, and employees in the postal field service. Testimony favoring enactment of S. 1 was heard from William C. Doherty, president, National Association of Letter Carriers, and E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks. A statement for the record favoring S. 773 was filed with the committee for Raymond V. McNamara, president, National Association of Postmasters. Hearings continue January 31.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Committee on Public Works: The committee held an executive, organizational meeting, following which it announced the appointment of subcommittees, as follows:

(1) Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors—Senators Kerr (chairman), Gore, Symington, Thurmond, McNamara, Neuberger, Case, Bush, Kuchel, Cotton, and Hruska;

(2) Subcommittee on Public Roads—Senators Gore (chairman), Symington, Thurmond, McNamara, Neuberger, Martin of Pennsylvania, Case, Bush, and Kuchel;

(3) Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds—Senators Symington (chairman), Thurmond, McNamara, Neuberger, Case, Kuchel, and Hruska;

(4) Ex officio members of Committee on Appropriations—Senators Kerr, Gore, and Martin of Pennsylvania.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, January 31, 1955, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY BRIEFING

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of the Air Force Harold E. Talbott; Gen. Nathan F. Twining.

Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force; and Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps, met for discussion of departmental views with respect to national defense policies and program. Recessed until Monday when it is scheduled to meet with Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens and Army Chief of Staff Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Held its executive organizational meeting. Adopted procedural resolutions, and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Resumed consideration of H. R. 2535, 2536, and related bills to admit Hawaii and Alaska into the Union. Dr. John L. Taylor, consultant with the Subcommittee on Territorial and Insular Possessions, began a section-by-section reading of the proposed legislation regarding Alaska. Delegate Bartlett and Committee Counsel Abbott answered committee interrogation in connection with this section. Recessed until Monday morning.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Representatives Perkins and Denton were the first of a schedule of witnesses who presented testimony today in opposition to H. R. 1, extending the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Other opponents to follow were: John Hawk, secretary-treasurer, Seafarers International Union of North America; Harold F. Cary, on behalf of the American Tunaboat Association; John F. Linehan, general manager, Seafood Producers Association; Ernest Falk, manager, Northwest Horticultural Council; William M. Vaughey, president, Independent Petroleum Association of America, Jackson, Miss.; J. P. Coleman, president, National Stripper Well Association, also representing North Texas Oil & Gas Association; Russell B. Brown, general counsel, Independent Petroleum Association of America; J. P. Jones, representing Pennsylvania Grade Crude Oil Association, New York State Producers Association, Bradford District Pennsylvania Producers Association, and Southwestern Pennsylvania Producers Association; L. P. Stockman, secretary, who presented the statement of Stark Fox, executive vice president, Oil Producers Agency of California, also representing San Joaquin Valley Oil Producers Association and Independent Oil Producers Agency of California; R. L. Foree, representing Jack Woodward, president, Texas Independent Producers & Royalty Owners Association; R. M. Wagstaff, on behalf of the West Central Texas Oil & Gas Association; R. G. Lawton, president, Lawton Oil Corp., Magnolia, Ark.; Roy G. Woods, president, Oklahoma Independent Petroleum Association; George P. Ellison, president, Kentucky Oil & Gas Association; W. F. Schell, attorney, Kansas Independent Oil & Gas Association; Kenneth M. Kew, president, Ohio Oil & Gas Association; Alfred A. Kiltz, president, Independent Oil Producers & Land Owners Association, Tri-State; Emory Carper, Roswell, N. Mex.; and H. P. Nichols, executive vice president, East Texas Oil Association.

Adjourned until Monday morning when it will resume with witnesses opposed to the pending bill.

Joint Committee Meetings

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee, in executive session, by a vote of 10 to 8, adopted the following committee resolution:

RESOLUTION

Whereas the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy is vested with certain duties and authorities by virtue of the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954; and

Whereas section 164 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 requires that certain contracts for electric utility services entered into by the Atomic Energy Commission be submitted to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy and a period of thirty days elapse while Congress is in session before the contract shall become effective; and

Whereas section 164 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 further authorizes the joint committee at any time after the receipt of the proposed contract to waive the conditions of or all or any portion of such thirty-day period; and

Whereas the joint committee by resolution on November 13, 1954, adopted a resolution purporting to waive "the conditions of and all of the thirty-day period specified in section 164," while Congress was not in session; and

Whereas the Atomic Energy Commission presented no substantial or compelling reasons to justify the adoption of a waiver resolution while Congress was not in session; and

Whereas the effective date of said contract by its own terms has not yet occurred; and

Whereas the hearings of the committee on this and related questions were incomplete and inadequate; and

Whereas the action of the then majority of the joint committee in adopting a waiver resolution tended to deprive the 84th Congress of its full opportunity of review and freedom of action with respect to the aforesaid contract: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, (1) That the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy do hereby rescind the resolution of waiver, and

(2) That it is the sense of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy that the said contract is not in the public interest and the committee recommends that the Atomic Energy Commission take appropriate steps to cancel the so-called Dixon-Yates contract.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued its hearings on the President's economic report, with a discussion today on fiscal policies. Witnesses heard are as follows: Alfred G. Buehler, professor of economics, University of Pennsylvania; Arthur Elder, tax consultant, AFL; John K. Galbraith, professor

of economics, Harvard University; Harold M. Groves, professor of economics, University of Wisconsin; Walter W. Heller, professor of economics, University of Minnesota; Harley L. Lutz, NAM; and William S. Vickrey, professor of economics, Columbia University. Hearings continue January 31.

Monday, January 31, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House received Presidential message on health program.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 1, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee met in executive session to consider future procedure to be followed on S. 49, providing statehood for Hawaii and Alaska, and announced that it had agreed to hold hearings thereon for the benefit of new members of the committee, and authorized the Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs to start such hearings on February 7.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following nominations: Edward J. Devitt to be U. S. district judge for the district of Minnesota; Philip L. Rice to be associate justice of the Supreme Court, Hawaii; George Glenn Killinger, of Virginia, to be a member of the Board of Parole; and Russell B. Wine to be U. S. attorney for the western district of Texas.

Also, the committee announced that executive hearings will be held on February 23 on the nomination of John Marshall Harlan, of New York, to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court.

The committee authorized the chairman to request that the committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 27 and S. 51, relating to jurisdiction over criminal offenses on Indian reservations, and that these bills be referred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee concluded its hearings on bills relating to school construction (S. 4, 5, 480, 522, and 686), and heard testimony from the following witnesses: Senators Sparkman, Anderson, and McNamara; Representatives Freylinghuysen, Kearns, Bailey, and Bennett of Florida; Samuel Brownell, U. S. Commissioner of Education; Lester Wooten, superintendent of schools, Morgan County, Ala., accompanied by Billy Evans, a student at Morgan County High School; Dr. Hobart M. Corning, superintendent of schools, D. C., accompanied by C. Melvin Sharpe, president, Board of Education; Paul Sprayberry, president, Georgia Education Association, Marietta, Ga., accompanied by Claude Purcell, assistant superintendent of schools of Georgia, and J. D. Salter and Henry Shaw, school superintendents of Georgia; George Guernsey, department of education and research, CIO; Mrs. Louella Miller Berg, American Association of University Women; John Baker, National Farmers Union; W. F. McMichael, president, Georgia School Board Association; John A. Emberson and Jim Cherry, school superintendents of Georgia; Edgar Fuller, Council of Chief State School Officers; Edward D. Hollander, ADA; Clarence Mitchell, NAACP; Mrs. Joseph Stoll, Washington representative for Spokesmen for Children; and Mrs. Carolyn Stewart, Le Droit Park Civic Association, D. C. All of the witnesses' testimony was of a favorable nature, some with suggested amendments to the proposed legislation.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' PAY INCREASE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee held hearings on Federal employees' pay increase legislation, with testimony today from CSC Chairman Philip Young. Mr. Young testified in favor of enactment of S. 774, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government.

The committee will meet again Monday, February 7, to hear Postmaster General Summerfield on postal pay increase legislation.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 50 public bills, H. R. 3292–3341; 39 private bills, H. R. 3342–3380; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 182–184, and H. Res. 119–121, were introduced.

Pages 996, 1005–1007

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 63, to conduct an inspection of the Veterans' Administration, amended (H. Rept. 12);

H. Res. 35, creating a select committee to conduct an investigation and study of the benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces, amended (H. Rept. 13); and

H. Res. 118, authorizing the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries to conduct jurisdictional studies and investigations, amended (H. Rept. 14). Page 1005

Committee Resignations: Received letters of resignation from Representative Matthews from membership on the Committee on Veterans' Affairs; also from Representative Clark from the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 996

Public Works: Adopted H. Res. 119, fixing, for the duration of the 84th Congress, the size of the Committee on Public Works at 34 members. Page 996

Committee Elections: Adopted H. Res. 120, electing the following Members to membership on the following standing committees:

Committee on Agriculture—Representative Matthews.

Committee on Education and Labor—Representative Udall.

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs—Representative Green of Oregon.

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries—Representative Machrowicz.

Committee on Public Works—Representatives Clark and Rogers of Florida. Page 996

President's Message—Health: Received a message from the President containing his recommendations for legislation designed to improve the health of the American people and establish a Federal health reinsurance service. The message was referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 81). Pages 996–997

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:47 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY INVESTIGATIONS—RULES

Committee on Armed Services: Representative Hébert, chairman of the Subcommittee for Special Investigations, announced today that the subcommittee, at its organization meeting, had readopted special rules for the conduct of its business. These rules have long been in force in investigating subcommittees of the House Armed Services Committee. Rules 1 through 10 relate primarily to witnesses and the public business of the subcommittee. Rules 11 through 18 relate primarily to the government of the subcommittee itself.

These rules have been widely approved by bar associations and other bodies interested in the orderly conduct of investigating subcommittees and in the protection of witnesses. The rules require that 2 members always be present when public business is conducted or a witness is sworn—one member from the majority and another from the minority.

The subcommittee prints its rules in a pamphlet and every person having business with the subcommittee is given a copy of them in advance of his appearance. In addition, the subcommittee publishes all source material relating to the business of the subcommittee, such as: The resolution (H. Res. 112) of the House of Representatives authorizing its inquiries; the precepts of the House Armed Services Committee; the Special Rules of the subcommittee; the Rules of the House Armed Services Committee; the Rules of the House of Representatives and references to all laws and the Constitution of the United States so that in one document a witness may obtain all pertinent information relating to the business of the subcommittee.

MILITARY BRIEFING

Committee on Armed Services: Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens and Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, Army Chief of Staff, discussed plans and programs of the Department of the Army relating to manpower, weapons, and reserves. Committee recessed until tomorrow morning when it will consider extension of the Selective Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 2535 and 2536, bills proposing the admission of Alaska and Hawaii into the Union. George Riley, representing the AFL, spoke in favor of the legislation, along with Robert E. Kline, Jr., attorney for the U. S. Lines, and Ralph E. Dewey, Washington representative of the Association of Pacific Steamship Cos. The last-mentioned two witnesses discussed a

proposed amendment clarifying the section of the bill dealing with shipping. Dr. John L. Taylor, committee consultant, presented a section-by-section reading of the bill relating to admission of Hawaii, and Delegate Farrington answered committee queries to the sections. Jan Jabulka, executive secretary of the Hawaii Statehood Commission, was interrogated relative to alien population. Committee recessed until tomorrow morning when it has scheduled consideration of various bills pending before it.

INVESTIGATIONS AND STUDIES

Committee on Rules: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House—

H. Res. 35, amended, creating a select committee to conduct an investigation and study of the benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces;

H. Res. 63, amended, conducting an inspection of the Veterans' Administration; and

H. Res. 118, amended, authorizing the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries to conduct jurisdictional studies and investigations.

Witnesses appearing in support of H. Res. 35 were Representatives Hardy, Kean, Bates, and Teague, while Representative Rogers of Massachusetts spoke in opposition. On the resolution to inspect the VA (H. Res. 63), Representatives Teague and Rogers of Massachusetts testified on its behalf. Representatives Bonner, Tollefson, and Boykin and Delegate Farrington were heard in connection with H. Res. 118.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 30, authorizing the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to conduct jurisdictional investigations and studies. Representatives Engle, Miller of Nebraska, and Aspinall testified on this subject. Action was deferred on a resolution (H. Res. 59) appointing a subcommittee to investigate governmental contributions to the spread of communism. Representatives Ray and Dorn, both of New York, were heard regarding this proposal.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed hearings on H. R. 1, a bill to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Opposition to the proposed legislation was expressed today by the following Members of the House—Representatives Bailey, Saylor, Byrd, Jennings, Kelley of Pennsylvania, and Poff, with a statement for the record being submitted by Representative Kee. Other opponent witnesses were: Tom Pickett, executive vice president, National Coal Association; James M. Symes, president, Pennsylvania Railroad; Thomas Kennedy, vice president, United Mine Workers of America; Walter K. Scherer, president, American Retail Coal Association; L. Newton Thomas, chairman, Foreign Oil Policy Committee; Frank W. Earnest, Jr., president, Anthracite Institute; Stuart Saunders, general counsel, Norfolk & Western Railroad; W. D. Johnson, vice president and national legislative representative, Order of Railway Conductors and Brakemen; Joseph E. Moody, president, Southern Coal Producers Association; Harry See, national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; and Mrs. Ernest W. Howard, on behalf of the Women's Patriotic Conference.

One witness, R. S. Hecht, of International House, New Orleans, La., testified in support of the legislation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee began hearings on the "development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry," with a discussion today of the problem of access to classified atomic data by industry. Witnesses heard today were Chairman Lewis L. Strauss, Commissioners Murray and Libbey, General Manager Nichols, and General Counsel Mitchell, all of the Atomic Energy Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow, with further testimony from AEC representatives.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Continuing its hearings on the President's economic report, the committee heard testimony today with regard to monetary policies from the following witnesses: Alvin Hansen, Littauer professor of political economy, Harvard University; Roy Reierson, vice president and economist, Bankers Trust Co., New York; Herbert Stein, associate director of research, Committee for Economic Development; Charles R. Whittlesey, professor of finance and economics, University of Pennsylvania; Elmer Wood, professor of economics, University of Missouri; and Winfield W. Riefler, assistant to the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Tuesday, February 1, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted resolution of ratification on Southeast Asia Defense Treaty, and passed bill extending Reorganization Act to 1957.

Senate Judiciary Committee reported bill to increase salaries of justices, judges, and Members of Congress.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1018–1043

Bills Introduced: 66 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 847–S. 912; S. J. Res. 34–36; and S. Con. Res. 8. **Pages 1019–1021, 1034**

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. 462, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of the U. S. courts and Members of Congress, with amendment in the nature of a substitute (S. Rept. 25). **Page 1019**

President's Message—Health: Message was received from President relating to proposed Federal health insurance—referred to Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. **Page 1018**

Bills Rereferred: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 27 and S. 51, relating to jurisdiction over criminal offenses on Indian reservations, and they were rereferred to Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. **Pages 1033–1034**

Employees of Former Senators: Senate adopted S. Res. 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, and 54, authorizing compensation for certain employees of former Senators Bowring, Upton, Brown, Burke, Crippa, and Lennon, respectively. **Page 1044**

Intergovernmental Relations: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 2010, to amend the act of July 10, 1953, which created the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. S. 539, the companion bill, was indefinitely postponed. **Page 1044**

Reorganization Act: H. R. 2576, to amend the Reorganization Act of 1949, as amended, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans submitted to Congress prior to April 1, 1957, was passed after adoption of Humphrey amendment to change the extension date to April 1, 1957, instead of April 1, 1958. S. 613, the companion bill, was indefinitely postponed. **Pages 1044–1045**

Southeast Asia Defense Treaty: By 82 yeas to 1 nay, Senate adopted resolution of ratification on Southeast Asia Collective Defense Treaty, and protocol thereto, both signed at Manila on September 8, 1954 (Exec. K, 83d Cong., 2d sess.). **Pages 1049–1066**

Confirmations: Five civilian nominations to the Export-Import Bank of Washington were confirmed. **Page 1067**

Nominations: Three civilian nominations were received, including that of George T. Moore, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, along with 443 Air Force nominations. **Pages 1066–1067**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:52 p. m.

Committee Meetings

OFFICER GRADE STRUCTURE

Committee on Armed Services: The Officer Grade Limitation Subcommittee (Senators Stennis, Ervin, and Duff) met in executive session to hear reports from the below-listed officers on planned promotions and appointments of commissioned officers specified in section 404 of the Officer Grade Limitation Act: Capt. D. L. Martineau, Navy; Brig. Gen. N. H. Nelson and Lt. Col. J. M. Platt, both of the U. S. Marine Corps; Brig. Gen. William S. Stone, Lt. Col. H. E. Kane, and Lt. Col. R. Halenbach, all of the Air Force; and Brig. Gen. W. L. Westmoreland, Col. S. A. MacKenzie, Lt. Col. J. N. Davis, and Maj. Gen. L. Overstreet, all of the Army.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following nominations: John Sherman Cooper, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to India and Nepal; Donald R. Heath, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to Lebanon; and Philip D. Reed, of New York, and Erwin D. Canham, of Massachusetts, both to be members of the U. S. Advisory Commission on Information.

Committee will meet again February 8.

JUDICIAL AND CONGRESSIONAL SALARIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute bill, S. 462, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of the U. S. courts and Members of Congress.

Committee will meet again February 7.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 2, 1955, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

SELECTIVE SERVICE—DEPENDENTS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Armed Services: Officials of the Department of Defense urged favorable enactment today of H. R. 3005, to extend until July 1, 1959, the authority to induct persons under the Universal Military Training and Service Act; and extend to the same date the provisions of the Dependents Assistance Act. During the morning session, the committee heard testimony from Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service; David S. Smith, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Personnel; and Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel. Mr. Burgess also presented the statement of Charles E. Wilson, Secretary of Defense. In the afternoon meeting other representatives of the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force testified, along with Rear Adm. David Price, Assistant Surgeon General, Public Health Service; Maj. Gen. Ellard Walsh, on behalf of the National Guard Association; and Miles Kennedy, legislative director of the American Legion. Recessed until tomorrow morning when opposition witnesses are scheduled to be heard.

SPANISH AIRBASE CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: The Subcommittee for Investigations began public hearings today to study apparent delays in Spanish airbase construction and land problems which have been previously reported on by the subcommittee. Testifying at this session were Harold E. Talbott, Secretary of the Air Force; Rear Adm. John R. Perry, Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, U. S. Navy; and John M. Ferry, Special Assistant for Installations, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force. Admiral Perry and Secretary Ferry are scheduled to resume at tomorrow's session (9 a. m.).

VIET NAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session and heard testimony from Gen. J. Lawton Collins, United States special representative to Viet Nam.

LANDS—RECLAMATION—TERRITORIES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development;

H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies;

H. R. 230, amended, relating to acquisition and disposition of deposits of sand, stone, gravel, pumice, and cinders when situated on national forest lands of the United States;

H. R. 473, amended, to authorize an investigation and report on the advisability of a national monument in Brooklyn, N. Y.;

H. R. 607, to provide that lands reserved to the Territory of Alaska for educational purposes may be leased for period not in excess of 55 years; and

H. R. 1801, to authorize the purchase, sale, and exchange of certain Indian lands on the Yakima Indian Reservation.

Two bills were referred to the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation—H. R. 104 and 384, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects.

At the hearings in connection with the reported bills, testimony was received from Representative Holmes, on H. R. 1801, of which he is author; Conrad L. Wirth, Director of Park Services, on H. R. 473; Edward Woozley, Director of the Bureau of Land Management, on H. R. 100; Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, Department of Interior, on H. R. 103; and Edward C. Crafts, Assistant Chief of the Forest Service, on H. R. 230.

Committee recessed until tomorrow when it will resume consideration of Alaska-Hawaii statehood bills.

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met today with officials of the Federal Power Commission. Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman of the Commission, introduced the attending Commissioners. Members of the committee interrogated the witnesses in connection with the jurisdiction and proposed future program of

the Commission. Adjourned until Thursday morning when it is scheduled to meet with officials of the Federal Trade Commission.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 met executively and adopted rules of procedure. Also ordered reported favorably to the full committee 25 private immigration bills of the House.

SALARIES—JUDICIAL, CONGRESSIONAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5, in executive session, ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 5, amended in the nature of a substitute, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress.

POSTAL PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield and Eugene J. Lyons, Assistant Postmaster General (Bureau of Personnel), testified at morning and afternoon sessions, respectively, in support of H. R. 2987 and 3017, identical bills to increase the rates of basic salaries of post-office officials, supervisors, and employees in the Postal Field Service, and to eliminate certain salary inequities. The legislation would increase the salaries of Postal Field Service employees by 5 percent, effective at the beginning of the first pay period after enactment, and would establish a new salary plan designed to correct serious inequities in the salary structure, effective 180 days after enactment. The total annual cost of this legislation to the Post Office Department is estimated at $129 million a year, or approximately 6½ percent of payroll.

Post-office officials who accompanied the witnesses were: Charles R. Hook, Jr., Deputy Postmaster General; Norman R. Abrams, Assistant Postmaster General, Bureau of Post Office Operations; Jeffrey P. Hillelson, Executive Assistant to the Postmaster General; James T. Nelson, Executive Director, Bureau of Post Office Operations; August C. Hahn, Executive Director, Bureau of Transportation; Bernard J. Beary, Director of the Division of Compensation, Bureau of Personnel; and John J. Leahey, Director, Division of Post Office Personnel, Bureau of Post Office Operations.

Recessed until tomorrow morning.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Members of Congress testified today in opposition to H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Those heard were Representatives Van Zandt, Hale, and Lanham. Other opponents to testify were: Dr. Claudius T. Murchison, economic adviser, American Cotton Manufacturers Institute, Inc.; Seabury Stanton, chairman, National Association of Cotton Manufacturers; W. Ray Bell, president, Association of Cotton Textile Merchants of New York; Prof. Seymour Harris, in behalf of the New England Textile Committee and six New England governors; Edwin Wilkinson, executive vice president, National Association of Wool Manufacturers; Steele Winterer, on behalf of the Carpet Institute, Inc.; J. M. Jones, executive secretary, National Wool Growers Association; J. A. Crowder, law offices of Clinton & Hester, Washington counsel for the Boston Wool Trade Association, Philadelphia Wool & Textile Association, and the National Wool Trade Association; Irene Blunt, executive director, National Federation of Textiles, Inc.; Arthur M. Klurfield, executive director, Textile Fabric Association; R. E. Hamilton, president, Tufted Textile Manufacturers Association; Gilbert H. Robinson, special assistant to the president, Forstmann Woolen Co.; Joseph Opilla, Passaic Joint Board, CIO Textile Workers; T. Dahlstrom, sales manager, Linen Thread Co., Inc.; Marx Lewis, general secretary-treasurer, United Hatters, Cap, and Millinery Workers International Union; and Max Berkowitz, director, National Authority for the Ladies Handbag Industry.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when opposition witnesses will resume.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee continued its hearings on the "development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry," with testimony today on AEC planning for licensing and regulation, and also a status report on atomic industrial technology. Witnesses heard were Chairman Lewis L. Strauss, Commissioners Murray and Libbey, General Manager Nichols, and General Counsel Mitchell, all of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee continued its hearings on the President's economic report, with a discussion today on monetary and antitrust policies. Testimony was heard from Walter Adams, professor of economics, Michigan State College; Edwin B. George, Department of Economics, Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., New York; A. D. H. Kaplan, the Brookings Institution, Washington, D. C.; Vernon A. Mund, professor of economics, University of Washington; Theodore K. Quinn, president, T. K. Quinn Co., New York; and George Stocking, professor of economics, Vanderbilt University.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 5, 1955, through January 31, 1955.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATION ACTIVITY

January 5 through January 31, 1955

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	11	12	..
Time in session	41 hrs., 07′	26 hrs., 14′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	469	389	858
Appendix	..	..	548
Public bills enacted into law	1	3	4
Private bills enacted into law	..	..	..
Bills in conference	..	..	..
Bills through conference	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	26	45	..
Senate bills	1	..	..
House bills	2	5	..
Senate joint resolutions	1	1	..
House joint resolutions	1	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	1	1	..
Simple resolutions	19	36	55
Measures reported, total	*52	*12	..
Senate bills	3	..	..
House bills	2	3	..
Senate joint resolutions	2	..	..
House joint resolutions	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	2	..	..
Simple resolutions	43	8	51
Special reports	6	2	..
Conference reports	..	..	..
Reported measures not acted on	**21	**3	..
Measures introduced, total	941	3,745	4,686
Bills	846	3,380	4,226
Joint resolutions	33	184	217
Concurrent resolutions	7	60	67
Simple resolutions	55	121	176
Quorum calls	4	1	5
Yea-and-nay votes	5	3	8
Bills vetoed	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 24 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 14 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through January 31, 1955

Postmaster nominations (none received):	
Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Army nominations, totaling 828, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	828
Air Force nominations, totaling 1,510, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,510
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Navy nominations, totaling 58, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	58
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 25, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	25
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 147, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	107
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	40

Summary

Total nominations received	2,568
Total withdrawn	None
Total rejected	None
Total unconfirmed	951
Total confirmed	1,617

Wednesday, February 2, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House approved resolutions authorizing certain investigations.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, February 4, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of George P. Daley and Harlan Bruce Munger to be members of the Federal Farm Credit Board.

Also, the committee announced that it had appointed a subcommittee to consider bills proposing additional acreage allotments for the 1955 cotton crop (Senators Johnston, chairman, Eastland, Clements, Young, and Thye), and a subcommittee to study the exporting of agricultural commodities (Senators Eastland, chairman, Holland, Scott, Young, and Schoeppel).

The committee agreed to continue its study of price spread between consumers and producers.

NOMINATION—COMPTROLLER GENERAL

Committee on Government Operations: The committee held hearings today on the nomination of Joseph Campbell to be Comptroller General of the U. S. Senator Hickenlooper testified in favor of confirmation of Mr. Campbell, and the nominee appeared to answer questions of the committee as to previous experience and qualifications for the position.

The hearings were not concluded, and the committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 116 public bills, H. R. 3381–3496; 46 private bills, H. R. 3497–3542; and 17 resolutions, H. J. Res. 185–190, H. Con. Res. 61–63, and H. Res. 122–129, were introduced. Pages 1073–1075, 1089–1093

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 70, to provide funds for the expenses of the study and investigation authorized by H. Res. 114 (H. Rept. 15);

H. Res. 102, to authorize the expenditure of certain funds for the expenses of the Committee on Un-American Activities (H. Rept. 16);

H. Res. 113, to provide for the expenses of the investigation and study authorized by H. Res. 112 (H. Rept. 17); and

H. Res. 30, to authorize the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to make investigations into certain matters within its jurisdiction, amended (H. Rept. 18). Page 1089

Committee Election: Adopted H. Res. 122, electing Representative Mumma to membership on the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. Page 1073

Investigation Expenses: Adopted the following resolutions providing funds for studies and investigations as follows:

Small Business: H. Res. 70, providing $135,000 for study of problems of small business as authorized by H. Res. 114.

Un-American Activities: H. Res. 102, providing $225,000 for the expenses of the Committee on Un-American Activities.

Armed Services: H. Res. 113, providing $150,000 for study and investigation of the Department of Defense by the Committee on Armed Services as authorized by H. Res. 112. Page 1074

Disposition of Executive Papers: Adopted H. Res. 123, providing that the Committee on the Disposition of Executive Papers shall consist of two members of the Committee on House Administration, to be appointed by the Speaker. Page 1074

Joint Committee Membership: Adopted H. Res. 124, electing the following Members to the following joint committees of the Congress:

Joint Committee on Printing: Representatives Burleson, Hays of Ohio, and LeCompte.

Joint Committee on the Library: Representatives Burleson, Jones of Missouri, Smith of Mississippi, LeCompte, and Harrison of Nebraska. Page 1075

Food Service Facilities: Adopted H. Res. 125, providing a 2-month extension of time, from February 15 to April 15, to the Committee on House Administration for reporting on a report of the Clerk of the House as to the food service facilities of the House of Representatives authorized by H. Res. 692 of the 83d Congress. Page 1075

Defense Production: Heard the reading of a communication from the chairman of the Committee on Banking and Currency announcing the appointment of the following members to membership on the Joint Committee on Defense Production: Representatives Brown of Georgia, Patman, Rains, Gamble, and Talle. Page 1075

Committee Investigations: Adopted the following three resolutions authorizing certain investigations:

Merchant Marine and Fisheries: H. Res. 118, authorizing the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries to conduct studies and investigations relating to certain matters within its jurisdiction.

Veterans' Affairs: H. Res. 63, to conduct an inspection of the Veterans' Administration, after adoption of a committee substitute amendment that supplied new text.

Armed Forces benefits: H. Res. 35, creating a select committee to conduct an investigation and study of the benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces, after adopting a committee amendment. Pages 1075–1081

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:38 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Agriculture: Selected membership of commodity subcommittees (all members, while in attendance only, are full members at any commodity subcommittee meeting)—

Livestock and Feed Grains, Chairman Poage.
Forest Products, Chairman Grant.
Cotton, Chairman Gathings.
Peanuts, Chairman McMillan.
Dairy Products, Chairman Abernethy.
Wheat, Chairman Albert.
Tobacco, Chairman Abbitt.
Poultry and Eggs, Chairman Polk.
Rice, Chairman Thompson.
Soybeans and Oilseeds, Chairman Jones.

Also selected membership of special-action subcommittees (all members may attend meetings of special-action subcommittees, but may not vote)—

Conservation and Credit, Chairman Poage.
Domestic Marketing, Chairman Grant.
Departmental Administration and Crop Insurance, Chairman McMillan.
Equipment, Supplies, and Manpower, Chairman Gathings.
Research and Extension, Chairman Abernethy.
Foreign Agricultural Operations, Chairman Poage.

LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported to the House, H. J. Res. 107, to permit Federal release of reversionary rights in certain acreage to Vineland School District of Kern County, Calif.

SELECTIVE SERVICE—DEPENDENTS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Armed Services: Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service, resumed his testimony today in connection with H. R. 3005, to extend until July 1, 1959, the authority to induct persons under the Universal Military Training and Service Act; and extend to the same date the provisions of the Dependents Assistance Act. General Hershey along with officials of the Defense Department testified at yesterday's session in support of this legislation. Other witnesses appearing in today's morning session were Representatives Hinshaw and Harrison of Virginia, and Dr. Meyerhoff, executive director, Scientific Manpower Commission. In the afternoon hearing the following witnesses testified—Ralph W. Chaney, University of California, Berkeley, Calif.; Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau Federation; Roy Battles, the National Grange; John M. Swomley, Jr., National Council Against Conscription; E. Raymond Wilson, Friends Committee on National Legislation; Mrs. Alexander Stewart, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; Ralph E. Smeltzer, Brethren Service Commission, Church of the Brethren; Dr. C. N. Hostetter, Jr., chairman, Mennonite Central Committee; Miss Elizabeth A. Smart, National Woman's Christian Temperance Union; Dr. E. Raymond Schmidt, National Grand Lodge, International Order of Grand Templars; and David Whatley, attorney at law, and Mrs. Agnes Waters, of Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

SPANISH AIRBASE CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: The Subcommittee on Investigations resumed hearings on its study into apparent delays in Spanish airbase construction and land problems, which have been previously reported on by the subcommittee. Rear Adm. John R. Perry, Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, U. S. Navy, met again with the group for further testimony today. Adjourned on the topic, subject to call of the Chair.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: Held its executive organizational meeting and adopted procedural resolutions. Announced that on the third Wednesday of each month the regular meeting of the committee would be held.

INVESTIGATION EXPENSES—GI VOTING

Committee on House Administration: Reported the following resolutions authorizing expenses for studies and investigations of House committees—

H. Res. 70, $135,000 for Select Committee on Small Business;

H. Res. 102, $225,000 for Committee on Un-American Activities; and

H. Res. 113, $150,000 for Defense Department study by the Committee on Armed Services.

Also approved for reporting to the House H. R. 3406, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces and their families, to exercise their voting franchise.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Held consideration of H. R. 2535 and 2536, bills proposing the admission of Alaska and Hawaii into the Union. Dr. John L. Taylor, committee consultant on Territories, continued his section-by-section reading of the bill relating to the admission of Hawaii. Delegate Farrington, of Hawaii, answered further questions regarding these sections. Also testifying today was Jan Jabulka, executive secretary of the Hawaii Statehood Commission. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held its executive organizational meeting. Announced it will meet tomorrow morning with Commissioner of Reclamation Dexheimer to discuss the Federal reclamation program.

MARITIME

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Met to discuss operations and activities of the Maritime Administration and the Federal Maritime Board with Louis S. Rothschild, Maritime Administrator and Chairman of the Maritime Board. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will consider the subject of ship construction, conversion, and repair, with Maritime Administration officials.

POSTAL PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Received further testimony today in support of H. R. 2987 and 3017, identical bills to increase the rates of basic salaries of post-office officials, supervisors, and employees in the Postal Field Service, and to eliminate certain salary inequities. Arthur E. Summerfield, Postmaster General, accompanied by other officials of the Post Office Department, resumed testimony urging enactment of the proposal, and answered committee's questions on sections of the legislation. Recessed until tomorrow when representatives of postal-employee groups are scheduled to testify.

PUBLIC LANDS STUDY

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported to the House H. Res. 30, amended in the nature of a substitute resolution, to authorize the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to make jurisdictional investigations and studies. Members of the committee appearing on the subject were Representatives Engle (chairman), Miller of Nebraska, Saylor, Aspinall, Haley, Rogers of Texas, and O'Brien of New York.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Discussed the legislative program of the Disabled American Veterans today with its national commander, Alfred L. English.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Opponents of the bill, H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, continued their testimony today, with the following Members of Congress being heard: Senator Neely, of West Virginia, and Representatives Wickersham, Harvey, Scudder, and Tumulty. John M. Malkin, executive director, Schiffli Lace & Embroidery Manufacturers Association, introduced by Representative Tumulty, was the first of the following list of public witnesses—James H. Casey, Jr., on behalf of the National Association of Leather Glove Manufacturers and the American Fabric Glove Associates; Harry A. Moss, Jr., secretary, American Knit Handwear Association, Inc.; Frederick Dixon, president, Amalgamated Lace Operatives of America; Charles B. J. Molitor, on behalf of the American Lace Manufacturers Association; Roy A. Chaney, on behalf of the Underwear Institute and the Work Glove Institute; M. C. Firestone, secretary, United Wallpaper Craftsmen and Workers of North America; M. A. Hollengreen, on behalf of the National Machine Tool Builders' Association; Gordon W. Sprague, on behalf of the Western Condensing Co.; John Breckinridge, on behalf of the Pin, Clip & Fastener Association; and R. A. Tilden, general counsel, Clothespin Manufacturers of America. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: In a morning executive session, the committee met to review testimony of representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission submitted in hearings on January 31 and February 1.

In an afternoon session, also executive, the committee received further testimony concerning classified matters involved in the industrial participation program from Chairman Lewis L. Strauss, Commissioners Murray and Libbey, General Manager Nichols, and General Counsel Mitchell, all of the AEC.

Hearings continue tomorrow in open session.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Continuing its hearings on the President's economic report, the committee today heard a panel discussion on agricultural policies. Participants were Murray R. Benedict, professor of agricultural economics, University of California; John H. Davis, Graduate School of Business Administration, Harvard University; Murray D. Lincoln, president, Cooperative League of the U. S., Columbus, Ohio; William H. Nicholls, professor of economics, Vanderbilt University; Theodore W. Schultz, professor of economics, University of Chicago; Frank J. Welch, Division of Agriculture and Home Economics, University of Kentucky; and Donald Paarlberg, assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Also, the committee held an afternoon executive meeting to discuss routine business, but made no announcements.

Thursday, February 3, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House sent Reorganization Act extension to conference, appointed Members to joint commissions, and approved investigations by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

Bill extending the Selective Service Act and Dependents Assistance Act approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, February 4, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

NOMINATIONS AND SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported the following nominations: Albert Pratt, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Charles C. Finucane, of Washington, to be Under Secretary of the Army; Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, USA (retired), and Albert J. Hayes, of Maryland, to be members of the National Security Training Commission; and Rear Adm. Bartholomew W. Hogan, to be Surgeon General and Chief of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Navy Department. The committee also approved numerous other nominations in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps.

Also, the committee announced the appointment of the following subcommittees:

(1) Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction—Senators Stennis (chairman), Jackson, and Case of South Dakota;

(2) Subcommittee on National Stockpile and Naval Petroleum Reserves—Senators Symington (chairman) and Duff;

(3) Subcommittee on Central Intelligence Agency—Senators Russell (chairman), Byrd, and Saltonstall;

(4) Subcommittee on Civil Defense—Senators Kefauver (chairman), Jackson, and Smith of Maine;

(5) Subcommittee on Officer Grade Limitations—Senators Stennis (chairman), Ervin, and Duff;

(6) Subcommittee To Review Operation of Article VII of the Status of Forces Treaty—Senators Ervin (chairman) and Flanders; and

(7) Subcommittee To Consider S. 108, Relief of Comdrs. Edward K. Shanahan and Edward White Rawlins, USN (retired)—Senators Symington (chairman) and Welker.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The committee began hearings on S. 669, to provide an elected mayor, city council, school board, and nonvoting delegate to the House of Representatives for the D. C., with testimony as follows:

Favoring enactment of the bill were D. C. Corporation Counsel Vernon West; Culver Chamberlain, Democratic Central Committee; Edmund M. Jaskiewicz, general counsel, Young Republicans for D. C.; Samuel Biddle, executive vice president, D. C. Citizens for Eisenhower; Mrs. Jack Gottsegen, National Council of Jewish Women; Mrs. Miton Dunn, D. C. League of Women Voters; Mrs. Corine Rogers, precinct member,

Republican State Committee; Eugene F. Mullin, Jr., Young Democrat Club of D. C.; Mrs. Harold H. Stewart and Huver I. Brown, both representing D. C. Federation of Civic Associations; and Arthur Keyes, Douglas Sager, Dan Danziger, Maurice Friedman, and Mrs. Nell F. Stephens, all D. C. citizens; and

Also favoring enactment, but with suggested amendments, were Sturgis Warner, legislative chairman, Washington Home Rule Committee; Renah Camalier, D. C. Commissioner; and Herbert P. Leeman, Central Suffrage Conference.

These hearings were not concluded, and the committee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Select Committee on Small Business: The committee met in executive session for organizational purposes, following which it announced that—

(1) It had elected Senator Sparkman as its chairman;

(2) It had adopted rules of procedure for the taking of sworn testimony;

(3) It had discussed subcommittee assignments, but had taken no final actions;

(4) Walter B. Stults would continue as the committee staff director; and

(5) It had set the fourth Friday of each month as the regular meeting day for the committee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 74 public bills, H. R. 3543–3616; 35 private bills, H. R. 3617–3651; and 8 resolutions, H. J. Res. 191–194, H. Con. Res. 64 and 65, and H. Res. 130 and 131, were introduced. **Pages 1121–1123**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act, amended (H. Rept. 19); and

H. R. 3406, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise (H. Rept. 20). **Page 1121**

Minority Objectors: Announcement was made of the appointment of the official Republican objectors as follows:

Consent Calendar: Representatives Cunningham, Byrnes of Wisconsin, and Ford.

Private Calendar: Representatives Ayres, Sheehan, and Avery. **Page 1113**

Reorganization: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2576, to further amend the Reorganization Act of 1949, as amended, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before April 1, 1958; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Dawson of Illinois, Holifield, McCormack, Hoffman of Michigan, and Brown of Ohio conferees. **Page 1113**

Commissions and Boards: The Speaker announced the appointment of the following Members to membership on the following Boards and Commissions:

Board of Visitors to the U. S. Military Academy: Representatives Teague of Texas, Evins, Johnson, and Ford.

Board of Visitors to the U. S. Naval Academy: Representatives Natcher, Lankford, Ostertag, and O'Hara of Minnesota.

Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise: Representatives McCormack, McDowell, and Wigglesworth.

Board of Visitors to the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy: Representatives Keogh and Derounian.

Board of Visitors to the U. S. Coast Guard Academy: Representatives Gary and Dorn of New York.

Migratory Bird Conservation Commission: Representatives Preston and Andresen.

Federal Records Council: Representatives Staggers and Miller of Maryland.

Joint Committee on Navajo-Hopi Indian Administration: Representatives Engle, Udall, and Rhodes of Arizona.

Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: Representatives Cannon, Brooks, and Vorys.

National Historical Publications Commission: Representative Miller of California.

Jamestown - Williamsburg - Yorktown Celebration Commission: Representatives Robeson and Poff.

U. S. Commission for the Celebration of the Two-Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of John Marshall: Representatives Walter, Gary, Betts, and Poff.

Alexander Hamilton Bicentennial Commission: Representatives Rooney, Rodino, Coudert, and Reece.

Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission: Representatives Harrison of Virginia and Frelinghuysen.

Committee To Investigate Nonessential Federal Expenditures: Representatives Cooper, Dingell, Reed of New York, Cannon, Mahon, and Taber.

Committee on Disposition of Executive Papers: Representatives Long and Corbett. **Page 1115**

Interior and Insular Affairs: Adopted H. Res. 30, to authorize the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to make investigations into certain matters within its jurisdiction, after adopting a committee amendment that furnished new text. Pages 1115–1116

Michigan State College: Adopted H. Con. Res. 61, extending congressional felicitations to Michigan State College on the one hundredth anniversary of its founding. Page 1117

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:02 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DURUM WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported to the House, without amendment, S. 145, to provide for increased durum wheat acreage. In a public hearing, conducted before this action was taken, testimony was received from Representative Engle and Philip Talbott, marketing specialist, Commodity Stabilization Service (Grain Branch), Department of Agriculture. Similar House bills on the subject were also considered.

SELECTIVE SERVICE—DEPENDENTS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House, with minor amendments, H. R. 3005, to extend until July 1, 1959, the authority to induct persons under the Universal Military Training and Service Act, and extend to the same date the provisions of the Dependents Assistance Act.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation discussed the Federal reclamation program today with Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation. Recessed until February 9 when it is scheduled to consider H. R. 104 and 384, bills to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Discussed the jurisdiction and proposed future program of the Federal Trade Commission today with Edward F. Howrey, Chairman of the Commission, and Commissioners Lowell B. Mason, James M. Mead, John W. Gwynne, and Robert T. Secrest. Also announced that a meeting of similar nature would be conducted with officials of the Interstate Commerce Commission on February 8.

SHIP CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Officials of the Maritime Administration and the Federal Maritime Board met with the committee today for consideration of proposed programs of ship construction, conversion, and repair. Participating in the session were Walter C. Ford, Deputy Maritime Administrator; Thomas E. Stakem, Jr., Assistant to the Deputy Administrator; John J. McMullen, Chief, Office of Ship Construction and Repair, Maritime Administration; and A. J. Williams, Secretary, Federal Maritime Board. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

POSTAL PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Representatives of postal-supervisor and postmaster associations testified in support of H. R. 2987 and 3017, identical bills to increase the rates of basic salaries of post-office officials, supervisors, and employees in the Postal Field Service, and to eliminate certain inequities. Appearing before the committee were the spokesmen for the following organizations—National Association of Postal Supervisors: Jesse V. Horton, legislative representative; Michael C. Nave, president; and John D. Swygert, secretary. National Association of Postmasters: Raymond V. McNamara, president; and Charles E. Puskar, executive secretary-treasurer; accompanied by William P. Kern, chairman, legislative committee; and J. Austin Latimer, legislative counsel. National League of District Postmasters: C. B. Gravitt, secretary.

William C. Doherty, president of the National Association of Letter Carriers, opposed enactment of H. R. 2987 and 3017 and urged instead favorable consideration of H. R. 1592, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department. He will return tomorrow morning for committee questioning regarding his statement. Other employee groups are also scheduled to be represented by their officials at this session.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Representative Kearns was the first of a schedule of opposition witnesses appearing today on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Others to testify were C. L. F. Wieber, chairman, tariff committee, Shears, Scissors & Manicure Implement Manufacturers Association; Henry S. Woodbridge, vice president, American Optical Co.; A. F. Metz, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, Okonite Co.; George R. Frankovich, executive secretary, New England Manufacturing Jewelers & Silversmiths Association; C. T. Nissen, executive vice president, presenting statement of Horace B. Van Dorn, chairman, foreign trade and tariff committee, Lead Pencil Manufacturers Association, Inc.; Burwell B. Smith, vice president, S. Morgan Smith Co.; Ralph L. Jenner, president, Lapp Insulator Co.; Leo Harvey, president, Porcelain Insulator Co.; E. T. Carmody in behalf of the Clock Manufacturers of America, Inc.; John Roth, chairman,

Cigarette Lighter Manufacturers Association, Inc.; Glenn Nuss, president and treasurer, White Sewing Machine Co.; C. P. McFadden, chairman, Rubber Manufacturers Association, Inc., Rubber Footwear Division; Frank Masterson, president, Industrial Fasteners Institute; S. A. Montague, president, Mica Fabricators Association; W. Lusford Long, president, Tungsten Institute; J. Carson Adkerson, president, American Manganese Producers Association; John Hough on behalf of the Woven Wood Fabric Industry; and Robert N. Hawes, counsel, Hardwood Plywood Institute.

Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee resumed its open hearings on the "development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry," with discussions today on the domestic uranium mining industry and the AEC's plans regarding industrial financing of atomic power. Further testimony was heard from Chairman Lewis L. Strauss, Commissioners Murray and Libbey, General Manager Nichols, and General Counsel Mitchell, all of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued its hearings on the President's economic report, with a discussion today on public works. Testimony was heard from Joseph L. Fisher, Resources for the Future, Inc., Washington, D. C.; E. C. Greer, State highway department, Austin, Tex.; Leland Olds, Director of Energy Research Associates, Washington, D. C.; Roland R. Renne, president, Montana State College; William Carr, executive secretary, National Education Association, Washington, D. C.; William L. C. Wheaton, professor of city planning, and acting head of the Institute for Urban Studies, University of Pennsylvania; William Zeckendorf, president, Webb & Knapp, Inc., New York; Brig. Gen. E. C. Itchener, Assistant Chief of Engineers for Civil Works, Corps of Engineers, Army; Assistant Secretary of Interior Fred G. Aandahl; and Charles B. Lawrence, Jr., program analysis officer, HEW.

Hearings continue February 8.

Friday, February 4, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted nine resolutions on committee investigations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1127–1159

Bills Introduced: 54 bills and 6 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 913–966; S. J. Res. 37–38; S. Con. Res. 9–11; and S. Res. 56. **Pages 1132–1135, 1144, 1171**

Contempt Citation: S. Res. 31, citing Diantha D. Hoag for contempt of the Senate, was adopted. **Page 1159**

Committee Investigations and Personnel: The following nine routine resolutions, involving committee investigations and personnel, were adopted:

S. Res. 49, extending through February 28, 1955, the authority to function of six subcommittees of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary;

S. Res. 28, extending until February 28, 1955, authority of Committee on Armed Services to hold hearings and investigations (with committee amendment);

S. Res. 13, authorizing $200,000 expenditures by Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to investigate certain problems relating to interstate and foreign commerce, after rejection of Ellender amendment to reduce amount from $200,000 to $150,000;

S. Res. 25, authorizing continuation of employment of an additional clerical assistant by Committee on Post Office and Civil Service (with committee amendment);

S. Res. 34, authorizing Committee on Labor and Public Welfare from February 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to employ four additional clerical assistants;

S. Res. 23, authorizing total expenditure of $100,000 by Committee on Banking and Currency to investigate problems relating to economic stabilization and mobilization (with committee amendment);

S. Res. 36, extending to January 31, 1956, time within which Committee on Foreign Relations may complete study of technical assistance and related programs ($24,000 authorization), and granting same extension of time to make studies of proposals to modify existing international peace and security programs ($28,000 authorization) (with committee amendment);

S. Res. 37, authorizing total expenditure of $70,000 by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs for study of

strategic and critical materials (with committee amendment); and

S. Res. 39, authorizing expenditure of $60,000 by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to employ temporary additional assistants (with committee amendment).

Pages 1159–1170

Michigan State College Anniversary: Senate adopted H. Con. Res. 61, extending felicitations to Michigan State College on its 100th anniversary. Pages 1170–1171

Committee Meeting: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of Committee on Government Operations was authorized to meet Tuesday, February 8, while Senate is in session; and

Committee on the District of Columbia was authorized to hold meetings during the next 2 weeks while Senate is in session. Page 1127

Confirmations: Senate confirmed eight civilian nominations, including those of John Sherman Cooper, of Kentucky, to be Ambassador to India and Nepal, and of Donald R. Heath, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to Republic of Lebanon. Page 1206

Nominations: 64 civilian nominations were received, including those of Philip W. Bonsal, of D. C., to be Ambassador to Colombia, Trevor Gardner, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, and Ross Rizley, of Oklahoma, to be a member of the CAB, along with 552 postmasters, 666 Navy, and 63 Coast Guard nominations. Pages 1199–1206

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:10 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Cotton Acreage Allotments met in executive session for organizational purposes. Subcommittee will meet again Monday, February 7.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, held its organizational meeting, following which it announced the appointment of the below-listed subcommittees:

(1) Department of Agriculture and Related Agencies: Senators Russell (chairman), Hayden, Hill, Robertson, Holland, Stennis, Young, McCarthy, Mundt, Dworshak, and Dirksen (ex officio members—Senators Ellender, Johnston of South Carolina, and Aiken);

(2) Department of Commerce and Related Agencies: Senators Holland (chairman), Ellender, Kilgore, Magnuson, Stennis, Clements (Chairman Hayden ex officio), Smith of Maine, Bridges, Knowland, Thye, and Potter;

(3) Department of Defense: Senators Chavez (chairman), Hayden, Russell, Hill, McClellan, Ellender, Robertson, Stennis, Saltonstall, Bridges, Young, Knowland, Thye, Smith of Maine, and Dworshak (ex officio members—Senators Byrd, Johnson of Texas, and Flanders);

(4) District of Columbia: Senators Stennis (chairman), McClellan, Holland (Chairman Hayden ex officio), Dirksen, and Young (ex officio members—Senators Bible, Gore, and Beall);

(5) Independent Offices and General Government Matters: Senators Magnuson (chairman), Hill, Ellender, Robertson, Russell, McClellan (Chairman Hayden ex officio), Dirksen, Saltonstall, Knowland, McCarthy, and Potter;

(6) Department of the Interior and Related Agencies: Senators Hayden (chairman), Chavez, Kilgore, Magnuson, Holland, Clements, Mundt, Young, Knowland, Thye, and Dworshak;

(7) Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare, and Related Agencies: Senators Hill (chairman), Chavez, Russell, Kilgore, Magnuson, Stennis (Chairman Hayden ex officio), Thye, Mundt, Smith of Maine, Dworshak, and Potter;

(8) Legislative: Senators Clements (chairman), Chavez, Hayden, Bridges, and Saltonstall;

(9) Public Works: Senators Ellender (chairman), Hayden, Russell, McClellan, Robertson, Hill, Kilgore, Magnuson, Knowland, Saltonstall, Young, Thye, Mundt, Smith of Maine, and Dworshak;

Also on Rivers and Harbors items: Ex officio members—Senators Kerr, Gore, and Martin of Pennsylvania;

Also on Atomic Energy items: Ex officio members—Senators Anderson, Pastore, and Hickenlooper;

Rivers and Harbors, and Flood Control: Full committee;

Atomic Energy—Tennessee Valley: Senators Hill, Ellender, Robertson, Hayden, Russell, Saltonstall, Knowland, Mundt, and Smith of Maine;

Bureau of Reclamation and Interior Power Marketing Agencies: Senators Hayden, Ellender, Kilgore, Magnuson, Russell, McClellan, Knowland, Young, Thye, Mundt, and Dworshak;

(10) Departments of State and Justice and the Judiciary and Related Agencies: Senators Kilgore (chairman), Ellender, McClellan, Magnuson, Hayden, Holland, Clements, Bridges, Saltonstall, McCarthy, Mundt, Smith of Maine, and Dirksen;

Also on Diplomatic and Consular items: Ex officio members—Senators Green, Mansfield, and Hickenlooper;

(11) Departments of Treasury and Post Office: Senators Robertson (chairman), Kilgore, McClellan, Chavez, Clements (Chairman Hayden ex officio), McCarthy, Bridges, Dirksen, and Potter;

Also on Post Office items: Ex officio members—Senators Johnston of South Carolina, Pastore, and Carlson;

(12) Deficiencies, Supplementals, and Foreign Operations (to be considered by whole committee).

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: Reorganization Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss its pro-

gram, with particular regard to the objectives of and tentative outline of hearings on S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security. The subcommittee took no final actions and recessed subject to call.

STATE OF THE JUDICIARY ADDRESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Special subcommittee held and concluded hearings on S. Con. Res. 4 and 5, proposing annual address by Chief Justice on state of the judiciary, with testimony favoring the general principles of the proposed legislation from Representatives Reed of Illinois and Keating; Lloyd Wright, president, American Bar Association; Chief Judge Harold M. Stephens, U. S. Court of Appeals for the D. C. Circuit; Chief Judge John Biggs, Jr., U. S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit; and Robert W. Minor, first assistant to the Deputy Attorney General.

Senator Butler submitted a statement for the record favoring enactment of this legislation; and Senator Langer and Representative Celler submitted statements for the record in opposition to the proposed resolutions.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 7, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

RICE

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Rice (Representative Thompson, chairman), received testimony during its morning session today from the following witnesses—George B. Blair, general manager, American Rice Growers Cooperative Association, Lake Charles, La., who discussed the present and future outlook for the national rice industry; William Reid, president, the Rice Millers Association, New Orleans, La., who cited the difficulties faced in the United States–Cuban rice trade and recommendations for their solution; Robert Smith, president, Arkansas Rice Growers Cooperative Association, Stuttgart, Ark., who pointed out difficulties faced in U. S. rice trade with the Far East and recommendations for their solution; H. G. Chalkley, rice producer, Lake Charles, La., who spoke on acreage allotments and distribution in Louisiana, and a multiple price system for rice; D. R. Wintermann, president, American Rice Growers Cooperative Association, Lake Charles, La., and a rice producer at Eagle Lake, Tex., who also spoke on the distribution of acreage allotments, as well as the policy statement for American rice growers with respect to a multiple price system for rice; and Cyril R. C. Laan, president, Rickert, Wessenan & Laan, New Orleans, La., who discussed the critical situation in the rice milling industry and difficulties in dealing with Government agencies, particularly commercial transactions with Commodity Credit Corporation.

Continued to hear similar witnesses in afternoon session. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

NAVAL AIR PROCUREMENT

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert Subcommittee on Investigations began hearings relative to procurement and delivery of new planes for the Navy. Witnesses testifying were Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas; Assistant Secretary Raymond H. Fogler; and Assistant Secretary of Navy for Air James H. Smith. The witnesses, later in executive session, were questioned by the subcommittee. Adjourned subject to call of Chair.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals considered military real-estate projects today, including NIKE projects and construction projects for the Department of the Army. Witnesses appearing were Col. R. Shuler and Robert Foster, G–4 (Army); and C. Schmeltzer and Lawson B. Knott, of the Office of Chief of Engineers. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Resumed consideration of H. R. 2535 and 2536, bills proposing the admission of Alaska and Hawaii into the Union. Dr. John L. Taylor, committee consultant on Territories, concluded his section-by-section reading of the bill relating to admission of Hawaii. Delegate Farrington, of Hawaii, and Jan Jabulka, executive secretary of the Hawaii Statehood Commission, answered committee questions again today regarding these sections.

Dr. Calvert Deadrick, Coordinator of International Statistics, Bureau of the Census, was interrogated relating to the reapportionment law, and its effect on the size of congressional membership. Officials of the Defense Department, who appeared for discussion of military jurisdiction over waterways between the United States and Hawaii island, were Lt. Col. N. L. Harvey of the Air Force; and W. J. Keating and Lt. Comdr. John Brock, both of the U. S. Navy.

At the afternoon session, Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay expressed opposition to legislation which would combine the admission of both Hawaii and Alaska. He urged immediate statehood for Hawaii. He approved

statehood for Alaska under equitable and enabling legislation. Hearings will be continued Monday morning.

SHIP CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued consideration of proposed programs of ship construction, conversion, and repair. Testifying again today on the subject were Walter C. Ford, Deputy Maritime Administrator, and John J. McMullen, Chief, Office of Ship Construction and Repair, Maritime Administration. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

POSTAL PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Resumed public hearings in connection with proposed adjustments of postal employee salaries, and recalled William C. Doherty, president of the National Association of Letter Carriers, for interrogation regarding his statement made at yesterday's session. Mr. Doherty, at that time, opposed enactment of H. R. 2987 and 3017, identical bills to increase the rates of basic salaries of post office officials, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service, and to eliminate certain inequities. These bills were endorsed during the week by Postmaster General Summerfield and other officials of the Post Office Department. He urged passage of H. R. 1592, a bill to increase by 10 percent, or $400 per annum—whichever is greater—the basic rates of compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department.

The second witness, E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks, also spoke in opposition to H. R. 2987 and 3017. He addressed his testimony in favor of H. R. 1592, 1826, 2183, and 2842 and similar pending bills. Mr. Hallbeck is scheduled to resume on Monday morning when he will answer committee questioning relative to his statement.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Opposition to the enactment of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, was expressed during today's public hearings by the following witnesses—Representatives Dorn of South Carolina, Dixon of Utah, and Rogers of Massachusetts; William R. Schinn, member, board of trustees, Cherry Growers and Industries Foundation; E. M. Norton, secretary, National Milk Producers; F. E. Mollin, executive secretary, American National Cattlemen's Association; L. Blaine Liljenquist, Washington representative, Western States Meat Packers Association, Inc.; E. S. Mayer, on behalf of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association; Edward W. Wootton, manager, Wine Institute; Otie M. Reed, Washington representative, Joint Committee on the National Creameries Association and the American Butter Institute; E. W. Gaumnitz, executive secretary, National Cheese Institute; Robert J. Remaley, director of research, American Dry Milk Institute, Inc.; Karl D. Loos, on behalf of the California Almond Growers Exchange, the California Walnut Growers Association, the Northwest Nut Growers, the Oregon Filbert Commission, and the Sunkist Growers, Inc.; Walter W. Maule, secretary, Mushroom Growers Cooperative Association of Pennsylvania; J. P. Park, president, Cultivated Mushroom Institute of America, Inc.; Don Mahon, on behalf of the National Independent Union Council and the National Brotherhood of Packinghouse Workers; and Dr. Lev E. Dobriansky, on behalf of the Ukrainian Congress Committee of America.

Hearings will be resumed on Monday.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee, in continuing its hearings on the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, heard further testimony today from representatives of the AEC. Hearings continue Monday, February 7.

Monday, February 7, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate Labor Committee approved bill extending GI educational benefits.

Bill to extend Selective Service Act cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 8, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

EXPORT TRADE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Export Trade held hearings on S. 752, to amend the

Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from CCC stocks. Testimony in support of enactment of this bill was heard from Frank K. Woolley, legislative counsel, American Farm Bureau Federation; Joseph O. Parker, representing the National Grange; Read P. Dunn, Jr., director of foreign trade, National Cotton Council; and Burris C. Jackson, foreign trade committee, National Cotton Council, Hillsboro, Tex. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction held hearings on Navy disposal project No. 47, involving the lease of Government-owned Camp Lejeune, N. C., railroad to the Camp Lejeune Railroad Co., a subsidiary of Southern Railway. Testimony was heard from Senator Ervin, who also read a statement in behalf of Senator Scott; Representative Barden; Lt. Col. E. B. Robertson, Operations Branch, U. S. Marine Corps; J. M. Fields, vice president, Atlantic Coast Line Railroad; S. S. Alderman, general counsel, E. M. Tolleson, assistant vice president, C. B. Neubauer, assistant vice president, and Joseph Marks, freight traffic manager, all of the Southern Railway; and H. M. Nicholson, Wilmington, N. C. These hearings were adjourned subject to call.

TREATY WITH CHINA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles for a discussion of the mutual defense treaty between the U. S. and the Republic of China (Exec. A, 84th Cong., 1st sess.).

The committee will meet again in executive session tomorrow for consideration of this treaty.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee met in executive session and appointed membership to the following subcommittees:

Standing subcommittees

Constitutional Amendments: Senators Kefauver (chairman), Hennings, Daniel, Langer, and Dirksen;

Federal Charters, Holidays, and Celebrations: Senators O'Mahoney (chairman), Daniel, and Watkins;

Immigration and Naturalization: Senators Kilgore (chairman), Eastland, Johnston (of South Carolina), Hennings, Watkins, Dirksen, and Butler;

National Penitentiaries: Senators Johnston (of South Carolina) (chairman), Hennings, Langer, and Welker;

Improvements in Judicial Machinery: Senators Hennings (chairman), McClellan, O'Mahoney, Watkins, and Welker;

Patents, Trademarks, and Copyrights: Senators O'Mahoney, Johnston (of South Carolina), and Wiley;

Revision and Codification: Senators McClellan (chairman), O'Mahoney, and Butler;

Constitutional Rights: Senators Hennings (chairman), O'Mahoney, and Langer;

Antitrust and Monopoly Legislation: Senators Kilgore (chairman), Kefauver, Hennings, O'Mahoney, Langer, Dirksen, and Wiley;

Special subcommittees

Internal Security: Senators Eastland (chairman), Johnston (of South Carolina), McClellan, Hennings, Daniel, Jenner, Watkins, Welker, and Butler;

Refugees and Escapees: Senators Langer (chairman), Johnston (of South Carolina), Hennings, McClellan, Watkins, and Jenner;

Improvements in the Federal Criminal Code: Senators Daniel (chairman), O'Mahoney, and Welker;

Trading With the Enemy: Senators Johnston (of South Carolina) (chairman), McClellan, Daniel, Dirksen, and Langer;

Juvenile Delinquency: Senators Kefauver (chairman), Hennings, Johnston (of South Carolina), Langer, and Wiley.

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee met in executive session for organizational purposes, and adopted its rules of procedure.

Also, it was announced that J. G. Sourwine had been appointed the subcommittee's chief counsel, and that Richard Arens and Alva C. Carpenter would serve as assistant counsel.

VETERANS' EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: In executive session, committee voted unanimously to report without amendment H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, to January 31, 1965. Prior to this action, committee, in open hearings, heard favoring testimony on this bill from Representative Teague of Texas (author of the bill); Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator of Veterans' Affairs, VA; Miles D. Kennedy, director, national legislative commission, American Legion; and Adin M. Downer, VFW.

In executive session, committee also voted to approve eight routine Public Health Service nominations.

POSTAL SALARY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee continued its hearings on postal pay increase legislation, with testimony today from Postmaster General Summerfield. Mr. Summerfield directed his remarks in favor of enactment of S. 773, to increase the rates of basic salary of postmasters, officers, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service. Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 71 public bills, H. R. 3652–3722; 18 private bills, H. R. 3723–3740; and 14 resolutions, H. J. Res. 195–201, H. Con. Res. 66 and 67, and H. Res. 132–136, were introduced. Pages 1215, 1221, 1226–1229

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 133, rule providing for the consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act (H. Rept. 21); and

Report of the Special Study Commission to Cuba (H. Rept. 22). Page 1226

Board of Visitors: Received two communications from the chairman of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries appointing the following Members to serve with him on the Board of Visitors to—

U. S. Merchant Marine Academy: Representatives Boykin, Robeson, and Van Pelt.

U. S. Coast Guard Academy: Representatives Garmatz, Sullivan, and Allen of California. Page 1215

Subpena: Adopted H. Res. 132, relating to compliance with a subpena served on an employee of the House of Representatives by the U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia. Page 1215

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:01 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AERONAUTICS—COMMODITIES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2581, amended, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research; and H. R. 2123 to repeal Public Law 820 (80th Cong.), to provide a revolving fund for the purchase of agricultural commodities and raw materials to be processed in occupied areas and sold.

Hugh L. Dryden, NACA Director, testified on H. R. 2581. As approved, this bill was amended to remove the provision dealing with establishment of a research facility for nuclear reactors. Arnold Nestel, Chief of Civil Affairs on Military Government (Army), spoke in connection with the agricultural commodity bill.

MILITARY PAY AND ALLOWANCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 began hearings on H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. Speaking on the proposed measure were Charles E. Wilson, Secretary of Defense; Adm. Arthur Radford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Charles S. Thomas, Secretary of Navy; Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps; Adm. Robert B. Carney, Chief of Naval Operations; and Charles Hook, formerly chairman of the Hook Commission, which made a study, survey, and report on the subject under discussion. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

D. C. JUDGES

Committee on District of Columbia: The D. C. Commissioners testified today in connection with two proposals (H. R. 2986 and 2989) to adjust salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court and D. C. municipal court of appeals. No action was taken and committee adjourned subject to call.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Resumed consideration of H. R. 2535 and 2536, bills proposing the admission of Alaska and Hawaii into the Union. Dr. John L. Taylor, committee consultant on Territories, concluded his section-by-section reading of the bill relating to admission of Alaska. Also heard in connection with this section were Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska; George W. Abbott, committee counsel, and Herbert J. Slaughter, Chief of Branch, Office of Solicitor, Department of Interior. Committee recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1, in open session, met with Gen. J. M. Swing, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization Service. In executive session, the subcommittee ordered adversely reported to the full committee 14 private immigration bills of the House.

POSTAL PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Resumed consideration of H. R. 2987 and 3017, to increase the rates of basic salaries of post-office officials, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service, and to eliminate certain inequities. E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks, returned for committee questioning today in connection with his testimony of last Friday. At that time he opposed enactment of the above-mentioned bills, which have been endorsed by officials of the Post Office Department. Mr. Hallbeck urged favorable consideration of H. R. 1592, 1826, 2183, and similar bills, which would increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and

employees in the field service of the Post Office Department. Recessed until tomorrow morning when officials of postal-employee groups are scheduled to testify further.

SELECTIVE SERVICE—DEPENDENTS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, providing for 2 hours of general debate, on H. R. 3005 to further amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act by extending until July 1, 1959, the authority to induct certain individuals; and to also extend the benefits under the Dependents Assistance Act to July 1, 1959. Representatives Vinson and Short urged favorable consideration of the proposed legislation. Committee recessed until tomorrow afternoon when it will consider a rule on H. R. 3406, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces and their families, to exercise their voting franchise.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Public hearings were concluded today on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Members of Congress, appearing in opposition to the bill, were Representatives Mack of Washington, Dawson of Utah, Bray, Edmondson, and Henderson. Other witnesses opposing the proposal were Robert E. Lewis, president of Argus Cameras, Inc.; Edmund J. Flynn, representing the Printing Industry of America, Inc.; Max Zucker, on behalf of Fur Dressers' Guild, Inc., and Rabbit Dressers Institute, Inc.; Herbert S. Greenberg, secretary, National Association of Watch Case Manufacturers; Sidney S. Korzenik, on behalf of National Knitted Outerwear Association; Arnold Troy, president, Eastern Metal Products Co.; and O. R. Strackbein, chairman, Nationwide Committee on Industry, Agriculture, and Labor, who presented the statement of Leo J. Buckley, president of the board of governors, International Allied Printing Trades Association. Proponent witnesses testifying at this final open session were Charles P. Taft, president, Committee for a National Trade Policy; Otis H. Ellis, general counsel, National Oil Jobbers Council; John Birmingham, on behalf of Independent Oil Men's Association, of New England; and John J. Collins, on behalf of the Independent Tanker Associations.

Committee will meet executively on the subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing its hearings on the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, the committee heard testimony from the following representatives of industry:

Walker Cisler, president, Detroit Edison Co., Detroit, and Paul McQuillen, Sullivan & Cromwell, New York, who testified as to the extent to which they are prepared to get private financing for atomic development now; and

Dr. James G. Beckerley, Schlumberger Well Surveying Corp., Richfield, Conn., whose testimony related to the AEC's classification system in the light of industrial development.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

Tuesday, February 8, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received President's message on school construction.

Bill extending draft for 4 years passed by House.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee reported Mutual Defense Treaty Between U. S. and Republic of China.

Bill to increase judicial-congressional salaries approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1243–1295

Bills Introduced: 44 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 967–1010; S. J. Res. 39–41.

Pages 1248–1250

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, to January 31, 1965 (S. Rept. 26); and

S. J. Res. 14, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Olympic games in Detroit (S. Rept. 27). **Page 1248**

President's Message: Senate received message from President proposing plan of Federal assistance to the

States in construction of school facilities—referred to Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

Pages 1243–1244, 1296–1298

Treaty Reported: Mutual Defense Treaty Between the U. S. and Republic of China (Exec. Rept. 2, 84th Cong., 1st sess.), was reported. Page 1287

Confirmations: Five civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of Charles C. Finucane, of Washington, to be Under Secretary of the Army, Albert Pratt, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, U. S. A. (retired), to be a member of the National Security Training Commission, along with 741 in the Army, 58 in the Navy, and 1 in the Marine Corps. Pages 1295–1296

Nominations: The nominations of Julius C. Holmes, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to Iran, and of Lt. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe to be Commander in Chief, U. S. Army, Europe, with the rank of general, were received. Page 1295

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:33 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Appropriations: The Subcommittee on Public Works held its executive organizational meeting. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved the following Army acquisition projects: No. 103, Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Denver, Colo.; No. 113, Sandia Base, Albuquerque, N. Mex.; No. 114, Antiaircraft Operations Center, Norfolk, Va.; and No. 117, Fort Wayne, Detroit, Mich.

The subcommittee also approved various NIKE projects.

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs held an executive organizational meeting, in which it discussed plans for holding hearings later this month, the time and place of which will be announced at a later date.

CHINA TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee, in executive session, took the following actions:

(1) Ordered reported, by a vote of 11 to 2, the Mutual Defense Treaty Between U. S. and the Republic of China (Exec. A, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). By a vote of 5 to 9, the committee rejected a motion by Senator Humphrey to attach to the resolution of ratification an understanding that the "mutual agreement" referred to in article VI should be construed as requiring the advice and consent of the Senate. By a vote of 2 to 11, the committee rejected a reservation by Senator Morse to strike out the last sentence of article VI—which sentence provided that the territory covered by the treaty can be expanded by mutual agreement. The committee unanimously agreed to incorporate the following understandings in the report on the treaty:

"It is the understanding of the Senate that nothing in the present treaty shall be construed as affecting or modifying the legal status or the sovereignty of the territories referred to in article VI.

"It is the understanding of the Senate that the "mutual agreement" referred to in article VI, under which the provisions of articles II and V may be made applicable to other territories, shall be construed as requiring the advice and consent of the Senate of the United States.

"It is the understanding of the Senate that the obligations of the parties under article V apply only in the event of external armed attack, and that military operations by either party from the territories held by the Republic of China shall not be undertaken except by joint agreement."

(2) Ordered reported S. J. Res. 14, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Olympic games in Detroit.

(3) Approved an order directing the Secretary of the Senate to return to the President the Great Lakes Fisheries Convention of 1946 with Canada; the President requested the return of this treaty on January 26.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation began hearings on S. 164 and S. 405, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects. Testimony favoring this proposed legislation was heard from John Bliss, chairman, and Roy Whitacre, secretary, both of the small projects subcommittee of the National Reclamation Association; and Doyle F. Boen, general manager-chief engineer, Eastern Municipal Water District, Riverside County, Calif. The hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

ALASKA FISH NETS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 456, relating to the regulation of fishing nets in Alaska waters.

Prior to approval of this bill, hearings were held thereon, with testimony favoring its enactment, but with suggested amendments, from Delegate Bartlett and Seton Thompson, Chief, Branch of Alaskan Fisheries, Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior Department.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 89 public bills, H. R. 3741–3829; 43 private bills, H. R. 3830–3872; and 17 resolutions, H. J. Res. 202–211, H. Con. Res. 68–72, and H. Res. 137 and 138, were introduced. Pages 1345–1348

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 3406, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise (pt. II of H. Rept. 20);

H. J. Res. 107, quitclaim deed to Vineland School District, Kern County, Calif. (H. Rept. 23); and

S. 145, to provide for increased durum wheat acreage (H. Rept. 24). Page 1345

President's Message—Education: Received a message from the President proposing a plan of Federal cooperation with States to finance and accelerate school construction. The message was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 84). Pages 1296–1298

Selective Service: Passed, by a rollcall vote of 394 yeas to 4 nays, H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years.

Adopted an amendment designed to prevent the Selective Service from denying agricultural deferments where certain surplus crops exist.

Rejected an amendment that sought to limit the extension to 2 years.

A motion to recommit the bill was rejected by a voice vote.

H. Res. 133, the open rule for the consideration of H. R. 3005, was earlier adopted by a voice vote.

Pages 1298–1329

Armed Forces Benefits: The Speaker announced the appointment to membership on the select committee to conduct an investigation and study of the benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces of the following: Representatives Hardy (chairman), Kilday, Teague of Texas, Bates, and Kean. Page 1330

Washington's Farewell Address: Representative Cramer was today designated to read George Washington's Farewell Address to the House on Tuesday, February 22. Page 1330

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:48 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings subcommittee held executive meeting today, following which it announced that witnesses will be heard in open session tomorrow on the national cotton situation.

CONSERVATION PAYMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: The Poage Subcommittee on Conservation and Credit approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments.

MILITARY PAY INCREASES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2, resuming on H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances, heard further supporting testimony from Defense Department spokesmen today. The first witness was Hugh Milton, Assistant Secretary of Army, who appeared for Robert T. Stevens, Secretary of the Army. Other departmental officials were Gen. C. L. Bolte, Vice Chief of Staff (Army), on behalf of Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army; Secretary of the Air Force Harold E. Talbott; and Gen. Thomas D. White, Vice Chief of Staff, on behalf of Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Chief of Staff (Air Force). Recessed on the proposal until February 16.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Charles E. Wilson, Secretary of Defense, testified today in connection with H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. The hearings, which are being conducted by Subcommittee No. 1, will be continued tomorrow morning, when other departmental officials are scheduled to be heard. Adm. Arthur W. Radford, who started his testimony at this hearing, did not conclude, and will resume at a later date.

D. C. AUDITORIUM

Committee on District of Columbia: The Morrison subcommittee began public hearings today on H. R. 1825, creating a Federal commission to formulate plans for the construction in the District of Columbia of a civic auditorium, including an Inaugural Hall of Presidents and a music, fine arts, and mass communications center. Testimony on the proposal was presented by the following—John R. Searles, Jr., executive director of the D. C. Redevelopment Land Agency; Harland Bartholomew, Chairman, National Capital Planning Commission;

Samuel Spencer, D. C. Commissioner; Vernon E. West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; David Finley, Chairman, Commission on Fine Arts; Paul J. Schwarz, American Federation of Musicians; and Tom Burke, legal counsel, CIO. Hearings are scheduled tentatively to resume next Tuesday morning.

VOLUNTARY FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Received testimony today in connection with Federal reimbursement, to voluntary agencies, of ocean freight charges incurred in transportation of material relief goods. Witnesses urging continuation of this program were Dr. D. A. FitzGerald, Deputy Director for Operations, Foreign Operations Administration; Joseph N. Byler, vice chairman of American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service, Inc.; William H. McCahan, Chief, Voluntary Foreign Aid Division, FOA; and Miss Eileen Egan, secretary, American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service (ACVAFS).

MILITARY OPERATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: The Holifield Subcommittee on Military Operations held its organizational meeting and discussed program and procedures.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: At today's public session on H. R. 2535 and 2536, bills proposing the admission of Alaska and Hawaii into the Union, testimony was furnished by the following witnesses: Lawrence E. Lindley, general secretary of the Indian Rights Association, Philadelphia, Pa., who suggested legislation be strengthened to further protect Alaska native rights; R. R. Robbins, Deputy Director of Office of Dependent Areas, State Department, who said that if the Congress and the President decide that the two Territories should be granted statehood, the State Department feels such decision will react to the credit of the Nation in the international field; and Donald J. Chaney, Assistant Solicitor, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of Interior, who answered questions concerning authority of Alaska with regard to jurisdiction and control over the fisheries and wildlife. Gov. Barrett Lowe, of American Samoa, and Del Nucker, Assistant High Commissioner of the Pacific Trust Territory, were introduced to the committee during the hearing.

Consideration of amendments to the proposal began after the open meeting. Recessed on the subject until next Monday morning.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met with officials of the Interstate Commerce Commission today and discussed jurisdiction and proposed future program of said agency. Attending the session were Chairman Richard F. Mitchell, and Commissioners J. Haden Alldredge, Hugh W. Cross, Anthony F. Arpaia, and J. Monroe Johnson. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will meet with officials of the Oil and Gas Division, Department of the Interior.

CONGRESSIONAL-JUDICIAL SALARIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 5, amended, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress. A clean bill was ordered introduced which will supersede the above-mentioned measure.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session the committee adopted rules and procedure to be followed in immigration cases.

Also reported favorably to the House 24 private immigration bills, and tabled 15 others.

CARGO SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Discussed administration of Public Law 664 (83d Cong.), providing permanent legislation for the transportation of a substantial portion of waterborne cargoes in U. S.-flag vessels. Meeting with the committee were the following officials of the Department of Agriculture—Martin J. Hudtloff, Director of Transportation and Warehousing Division, Commodity Stabilization Service; Arthur S. Mason, Chief of Ocean Transportation Section, of the same Division; Raymond A. Ioanes, Assistant Director of Foreign Trade Program Division, Foreign Agriculture Service; and Patrick M. O'Leary, Chief of the Export Program Branch, Foreign Trade Program Division. Recessed until tomorrow morning, when it will resume on subject with officials of Foreign Operation Administration and General Services Administration.

POSTAL PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Sam Klein, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks, testified today in support of H. R. 1592, 1826, 2183, and similar bills, which would increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department. The witness also spoke in opposition to specific provisions regarding reclassification which are contained in H. R. 2987 and 3017, bills to increase the rates of basic salaries of post-office officials, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service, and to eliminate certain inequities. These last-two-mentioned proposals were endorsed at last week's hearings by officials of the Post Office Department. Other witnesses today, testifying on behalf of H. R. 2987 and 3017, were Harold McAvoy, president, National Association of Post Office and Postal Transportation Service, Mail Handlers, Watchmen, and Messengers; William M. Thomas, president, National Postal Transport Association; and Warren B. Bledsoe, president, National Rural Letter Carriers Association.

Mr. Bledsoe is scheduled to resume his testimony tomorrow morning.

GI-FEDERAL EMPLOYEE VOTING

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, a rule on H. R. 3406, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise. Testifying relative to the proposed legislation were Representatives Burleson, LeCompte, and Ashmore.

AMERICAN LEGION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full committee heard the national commander of the American Legion, Seaborn Collins, who presented the Legion's 1955 legislative program. Meets tomorrow morning to hear AMVETS national commander.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Began executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Will resume on same subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee continued its hearings into the problem of industrial atomic development, with testimony today from Murray R. Levine, New York Committee on Atomic Information; Theodore Kenyon, Kenyon & Kenyon; and N. I. Steers, Atomic Development Mutual Fund, Inc.

Also, the committee heard testimony with regard to the Dixon-Yates contract from AEC Commissioner Murray.

Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee continued its hearings on the President's economic report, with a discussion today concerning foreign economic policy. Witnesses testifying were as follows: Harlan Cleveland, executive editor, the Reporter magazine; Oscar R. Strackbein, chairman, the Nation-Wide Committee of Industry, Agriculture, and Labor on Import-Export Policy; Charles P. Taft, president, Committee for a National Trade Policy; Willard L. Thorp, director, Merrill Center for Economics, Amherst College; Arthur Upgren, dean, Amos Tuck School of Business Administration, Dartmouth College; Jacob Viner, professor of economics, Princeton University; Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; and Nathaniel Knowles, Acting Deputy Director, Bureau of Foreign Commerce, Department of Commerce. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Wednesday, February 9, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted resolution of ratification of mutual defense treaty with Republic of China and cleared for President bill on GI educational benefits.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1362–1377

Bills Introduced: 19 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1011 to S. 1029; and S. Con. Res. 12. Pages 1365–1366

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 1370

GI Educational Benefits: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 587, to provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on January 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, to January 31, 1965. Pages 1377–1378

Olympic Games: Senate passed without amendment S. J. Res. 14, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Olympic games in Detroit. Page 1378

Rules Committee Reports: Committee on Rules and Administration was authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 1416

Treaty Ratified—Mutual Defense With Republic of China: By 65 to 6, the Senate adopted resolution

of ratification on mutual defense treaty between U. S. and Republic of China (Exec. A, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). Prior to this action, Senate rejected 2 amendments proposed by Senator Morse to the treaty and 2 reservations proposed by Senator Morse, as follows:

By 11 yeas to 57 nays, amendment to add language to article VIII of the treaty to the effect that the treaty does not affect or modify the legal status or sovereignty of the territories to which it applies; by 10 yeas to 60 nays, amendment to eliminate the last sentence of article VI of the treaty—which sentence provides that the territory covered by the treaty may be expanded by mutual agreement; by voice vote, reservation that nothing in the treaty shall be construed as affecting or modifying the legal status or sovereignty of the territories to which it applies; and, by voice vote, reservation that the last sentence of article VI, which provides that the territory covered by treaty may be expanded by mutual agreement, shall have no force or effect. Pages 1379–1416

Treaties Reported: Three conventions were reported, as follows:

Convention between U. S. and Japan for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion respecting income taxes (Exec. D, 83d Cong., 2d sess.);

Convention between U. S. and Japan for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion respecting taxes on estates, inheritances, and gifts (Exec. E, 83d Cong., 2d sess.); and

Convention between U. S. and Belgium for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to estate and succession taxes (Exec. G, 83d Cong., 2d sess.).

(Each of these treaties was reported under Ex. Rept. 3.) Page 1379

Treaty Withdrawal: Senate adopted order directing Secretary of Senate to return to President, as requested by him on January 26, 1955, convention between U. S. and Canada respecting Great Lakes Fisheries; signed at Washington on April 2, 1946 (Exec. C, 79th Cong., 2d sess.). Page 1379

Confirmations: Eight Public Health Service nominations were confirmed. Page 1416

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:19 p. m.

Committee Meetings

BRIEFING ON DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: The committee met in executive session to receive a briefing from Secretary of Defense Wilson and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Radford with regard to the international situation as it affects military programs and policies.

TAX TREATIES, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the Senate the following: Convention between U. S. and Japan for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion respecting income taxes (Exec. D, 83d Cong., 2d sess.); convention between U. S. and Japan for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion respecting taxes on estates, inheritances, and gifts (Exec. E, 83d Cong., 2d sess.); and convention between U. S. and Belgium for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to estate and succession taxes (Exec. G, 83d Cong., 2d sess.).

The committee also approved the nomination of Philip W. Bonsal, of D. C., to be Ambassador to Colombia, and routine nominations in the Foreign Service.

NOMINATIONS, AND ALASKA FISH NETS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 456, relating to the regulation of fishing nets in Alaska waters. Committee also approved the nomination of George T. Moore, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and routine nominations in the Coast Guard and Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Prior to approval of the nomination of Mr. Moore, open hearings were held thereon, the nominee testifying in his own behalf.

Chairman Magnuson announced that on February 23 public hearings will be held on the nominations of George C. McConnaughey, of Ohio, to be a member of the FCC, and Ross Rizley, of Oklahoma, to be a member of the CAB. The chairman also announced that on February 21 the Aviation Subcommittee will hold hearings on S. 651, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act so as to provide permanent certificates for local service air carriers.

COMMITTEE AUTHORIZATIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

With an amendment in the nature of a substitute—S. Res. 40, extending through January 31, 1956, authority of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to investigate employee welfare and pension plans, and authorizing expenditure of $190,000; and S. Res. 41, authorizing Committee on Government Operations to employ from February 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, temporary assistants, and authorizing expenditure of $190,000;

With an additional amendment—S. Res. 20, authorizing expenditure of $125,000 by Committee on Post Office and Civil Service for holding hearings and making investigations; and

With a technical amendment—S. 913, to eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of the Senate.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 10, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings subcommittee discussed phases of the cotton situation today with Mrs. W. C. Martin, landowner, Harrison County, Marshall, Tex. Also met in afternoon executive session; made no announcement.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 heard further testimony today from Defense Department officials during hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Witnesses appearing were Robert T. Stevens, Secretary of the Army; Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, Army Chief of Staff; Charles S. Thomas, Secretary of Navy; Adm. Robert B. Carney, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps. Recessed on proposal until Monday morning.

REAL ESTATE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals approved for reporting to the full committee 14 Air Force real-estate projects. Also approved a modified Air Force real-estate project and four overseas classified construction projects (Air Force). Officials of the Department of Defense testified in connection with all the proposals under construction. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FHA INSURANCE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held a hearing on H. J. Res. 202, to amend the National Housing Act, so as to increase the FHA insurance authorization. Albert M. Cole, Housing and Home Finance Administrator, and Norman P. Mason, Commissioner, Federal Housing Administration, testified in support of the proposal, the purpose of which is to increase the FHA insurance authorization by $1,500 million. Preliminary estimates show $393 million unused authorization on January 31, 1955. It is estimated that a total of slightly over $1,250 million authorization will be needed to carry through June 1955. It was also cited that the requested increase in authorization will leave only a comfortable reserve should applications continue at the present rate. Committee took no action, and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation began hearings today on H. R. 104, 384, and 3817, bills which would supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects. Representatives Phillips and Thomson of Wyoming testified in favor of the legislation. Officials of the Department of the Interior also testified in support of this general type of legislation. They were Fred J. Aandahl, Assistant Secretary of Interior; Richard Witmer, legislative attorney, Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, and W. A. Dexheimer, Commissioner, of the Bureau of Reclamation. Recessed on this subject until tomorrow.

PETROLEUM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Officials of the Oil and Gas Division, Department of the Interior, discussed program and jurisdiction of that department at today's committee meeting. Participating at the session were Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary of the Interior (for Mineral Resources); Hugh A. Stewart, Assistant Deputy Administrator of the Oil and Gas Division; Carrol D. Fentress, Special Assistant to the Deputy Administrator; and Franz von Schilling, Jr., Director, Foreign Supply and Transportation Division. Recessed until tomorrow when it will meet with SEC officials.

TESTIMONY—ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to full committee H. R. 780, to prescribe a method by which the Houses of Congress and their committees may invoke the aid of the courts in compelling the testimony of witnesses; and H. R. 3659, to increase criminal penalties under the Sherman Antitrust Act.

CARGO SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued hearings to consider administration of Public Law 664 (83d Cong.), providing permanent legislation for the transportation of a substantial portion of waterborne cargoes in U. S.-flag vessels. Martin J. Hudtloff, Director of Transportation and Warehousing Division, Commodity Stabilization Service, Department of Agriculture, was interrogated by the committee today in connection with his testimony of yesterday. Also testifying today was Col. Arthur Syran, Office of Transportation, Foreign Operations Administration. Will resume on same subject tomorrow with officials of the Maritime Administration and General Services Administration.

POSTAL-FEDERAL PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: George Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers, testified today in favor of H. R. 2987 and H. R. 3017. These measures would increase the rates of basic salaries of post-office officials, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service, and eliminate certain inequities. Both have been recommended for enactment by the Post Office Department. Two other witnesses expressed support for legislation calling for a 10-percent wage increase, and requested further study for reclassification features as contained in H. R. 2987 and 3017. They were Paul Castiglioni, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees; and Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council (AFL). The last-named organization represents both Federal and postal employees. Recessed until next Tuesday morning when Members of Congress are scheduled to testify.

ORGANIZATION

Committee on Public Works: Held its organizational meeting and discussed future program and procedure. Made no announcement.

AMVETS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met with national commander of the AMVETS, Rufus H. Wilson, and John R. Holden, national legislative representative, for discussion of the AMVETS 1955 legislative program. Recessed until February 15 when it will meet with officials of the VFW for the same purpose.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing its hearings into the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, the committee today heard testimony from Andrew J. Biemiller, AFL, and Jerry Voorhis, Cooperative League of America. In an executive hearing, the committee heard John Menke, president, Nuclear Development Associates, Inc.

The committee met in a morning executive session to discuss committee business, but made no announcements.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued its hearings on the President's economic report, with a discussion today on economic statistics. Testimony was heard from Donald R. Belcher, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget; Walter E. Hoadley, treasurer, Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster, Pa.; Robert Eggert, market research manager, Ford Division, Ford Motor Co., Dearborn, Mich.; Lowell Reed, president, Johns Hopkins University; Beardsley Ruml, of New York; Lazare Teper, research director, International Ladies' Garment Workers Union, New York; Theodore E. Veltfort, manager, Copper & Brass Research Association, New York; and Ralph J. Watkins, director of research, Dun & Bradstreet, Inc., and president of American Statistical Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

House cleared durum wheat acreage bill for President.

Bill to extend President's trade-agreement authority approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, February 11, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

POSTAL AND FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' SALARY INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee continued its hearings on S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, and other related bills (S. 773, Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955, S. 774, Federal Employees Pay Act of 1955, and S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government). Testimony, as indicated, was heard from the following witnesses: Paul M. Castiglioni, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees, who favored enactment of S. 1 and offered

amendments to S. 773; W. M. Thomas, president, National Postal Transport Association, Samuel E. Klein, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks, and Ross A. Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees, all of whom urged enactment of S. 1 and testified in opposition to S. 773; George L. Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers, who favored S. 773 with amendments and opposed S. 1; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees' Council, who favored S. 1 and also S. 67 (with amendments), and opposed S. 773 and S. 774; Jesse V. Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors, who favored S. 773 and opposed S. 1; Warren B. Bledsoe, president, National Association of Rural Letter Carriers, who favored S. 773 with amendments and also suggested amendments to S. 1; Casius Gravitt, secretary and legislative representative, and Lawrence P. Jones, national president, both of National League of District Postmasters, who favored S. 773 and opposed enactment of S. 1; Harold McAvoy, president, National Association of Post Office and Postal Transportation Service, Mail Handlers, Watchmen, and Messengers, who favored S. 1 and certain sections of S. 773; Frank E. Russell, president, National Star Route Mail Carriers Association, who requested amendments to S. 1 or S. 773 to provide increases for star route carriers; George Riley, AFL, who endorsed adequate salary increases—and testified in opposition to certain sections of S. 773 and S. 774; and James B. Cobb, national president, National Alliance of Postal Employees, who submitted a statement for the record favoring enactment of S. 1.

Committee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

ORGANIZATION OF SUBCOMMITTEES

Select Committee on Small Business: Senator Sparkman, chairman of the committee, today announced appointment of members to the committee's six regular subcommittees, as follows:

Subcommittee on Taxes—Senators Eastland (chairman), Long, Humphrey, and Goldwater;

Subcommittee on Monopoly—Senators Long (chairman), Sparkman, Humphrey, Saltonstall, and Schoeppel;

Subcommittee on Financing—Senators Sparkman (chairman), Kennedy, Smathers, and Saltonstall;

Subcommittee on Military Procurement—Senators Smathers (chairman), Long, Morse, Thye, and Duff;

Subcommittee on Relations of Business With Government—Senators Thye (chairman), Sparkman, Smathers, Eastland, and Duff;

Subcommittee on Retailing, Distribution, and Fair Trade Practices—Senators Humphrey (chairman), Kennedy, Morse, Schoeppel, and Goldwater.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 81 public bills, H. R. 3873–3953; 35 private bills, H. R. 3954–3988; and 11 resolutions, H. J. Res. 212, and H. Con. Res. 73–82, were introduced.

Pages 1452–1454

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows: 22 private bills, H. R. 881, 1020, 1048, 1130, 1177, 1192, 1206, 1328, 1490, 1511, 1638, 1645, 1664, 1665, 1885, 1906, 1957, 2279, 2289, 2348, 2354, and 2941 (H. Repts. 25–46, respectively). Pages 1451–1452

Trade Agreements: The Committee on Ways and Means was granted permission to file, by midnight Monday, February 14, a report on H. R. 1, extending the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements.

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Committee Resignation: Received letter of resignation of Representative Mumma from membership on the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

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Olympic Games: Passed without amendment and thus cleared for Presidential action S. J. Res. 14, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Olympic games in Detroit.

Pages 1431–1432

Order of Business: Pursuant to a unanimous-consent request the House agreed to dispense with Calendar-Wednesday business in order on February 16. Page 1433

Durum Wheat: Passed and cleared for the White House S. 145, to provide for increased durum wheat acreage. Page 1434

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:57 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITY PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Chairman Cooley announced today that public hearings will start Friday, February 17, on H. R. 12, and all similar bills, to reestablish 90 percent of parity price supports for basic commodities. Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson will be the first witness. With the exception of the Secretary's testimony, the chairman said, the hearings will be limited to the specific subject covered by the bills—the level of price supports for basic commodities.

FEDERAL RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings

today on H. R. 104, 384, and 3817, bills which would supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects. Officials and representatives of the National Reclamation Association testified today in support of the proposed legislation. These witnesses were John Bliss (New Mexico), chairman, Small Projects Committee; Roy Whitacre (Nevada), manager, Walker River Irrigation District, and member, Small Projects Committee; Doyle Boen, general manager and chief engineer, Eastern Municipal Water District, Hemet, Calif., and a member, Small Projects Committee, who spoke also for Palo Verde Irrigation District, Coachella Valley County Water District, Western Municipal Water District, and the Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District; Floyd Bonge, director, Eastern Municipal Water District, Hemet, Calif.; W. C. Smith (Ainsworth, Nebr.), member, Small Projects Committee; and Thomas W. Jensen, secretary-manager of Utah Water Users Association, and member, Small Projects Committee. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

SEC

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ralph H. Demmler, Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, accompanied by other members of the Commission, met with the committee today to discuss the jurisdiction and proposed future program of that agency. Recessed until tomorrow morning when officials of the Civil Aeronautics Association will meet with the committee for the same purpose.

JUDICIAL-CONGRESSIONAL SALARIES—TESTIMONY—ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress;

H. R. 3659, to increase criminal penalties under the Sherman Antitrust Act; and

H. R. 780, to prescribe a method by which the Houses of Congress and their committees may invoke the aid of the courts in compelling the testimony of witnesses.

Members of the Board of Parole, of the Department of Justice, met with the committee today.

CARGO SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Officials of the Maritime Administration and the General Services Administration testified today during the committee's discussion of the administration of Public Law 664 (83d Cong.), which provided permanent legislation for the transportation of a substantial portion of waterborne cargoes in United States-flag vessels. GSA witnesses were A. G. Walsh, Commissioner, Emergency Procurement Service; and Herbert Hyde, Office of the General Counsel. Appearing for the Maritime Administration were Louis S. Rothschild, Administrator, accompanied by C. H. McGuire, Director, National Shipping Authority. In an afternoon session the committee interrogated two witnesses who had previously testified, Martin J. Hudtloff, Director of Transportation and Warehousing Division, Commodity Stabilization Service, Department of Agriculture; and Arthur S. Mason, Chief of the Ocean Transportation Section, of the same Division. The hearings were concluded following the appearance of James B. Stuart, president, American Transshipping Association. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Voted (20 to 5) to report to the House H. R. 1, to extend until June 30, 1958, the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. It is expected that the report will be filed in the House by midnight, Monday, February 14. Chairman Cooper was directed to request a closed rule on the measure with not to exceed 2 days of general debate. Floor consideration is expected to occur on Thursday and Friday of next week.

Amendments adopted to the bill are as follows—

Page 3, lines 4 and 5, delete the words ", except as authorized by subparagraph (B) of this paragraph,". This amendment is to make it clear that provisions of existing law such as section 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act will prevail despite any provision in a trade agreement.

Page 3, line 8, change the period to a colon and insert *"Provided further,* That the enactment of this Act shall not be construed to determine or indicate the approval or disapproval by the Congress of organizational provisions of any foreign trade agreements entered into under this section." The purpose of this amendment is to make it clear that the enactment of this legislation will not imply congressional approval or disapproval of the organizational provisions of GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade).

Page 4, line 12, after the word ", is" insert the word "normally" and strike the word "being"; and on line 13 strike the word "being" and insert in lieu thereof the word "normally".

Page 8, line 6, strike the word "may" and insert in lieu thereof "shall, as soon as practicable,". This amendment relates to the withdrawal of most favored nation treatment from any nation that discriminates against the United States with respect to trade matters.

Page 10, line 12, after the word "intention" insert "to negotiate". This amendment is merely a clerical amendment to correct a typographical error.

Page 11, line 9, delete the entire section 5. The purpose of this amendment is to strike from the bill the provisions authorizing the reduction of tariffs irrespective of the fact that such action is not designed to carry out any foreign trade agreement on articles being imported into the United States in negligible quantities.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee continued its hearings into the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, with testimony from William Steiger and Dr. Guy Suits, both of the NAM; H. R. Searing, president, Consolidated Edison Co. of New York; and Alex Radin, American Public Power

Association, all of whom presented their views on problems as they see them in connection with industrial uses of atomic energy. In addition, Mr. Searing announced the intention of Consolidated Edison Co. of New York to proceed to build a full-scale atomic energy plant without Government assistance.

Prior to the testimony of these witnesses, AEC Chairman Lewis L. Strauss made a statement to the committee in regard to the Dixon-Yates power contract.

Committee meets in executive conference tomorrow.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee continued its hearings on the President's economic report. Testimony today was heard from the following representatives of economic interest groups: Walter Reuther, president, CIO; Harry See, national legislative representative of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen; and John A. Baker, assistant to the president of the National Farmers Union. Hearings continue February 16.

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1459–1474

Bills Introduced: 30 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1030–1059; S. J. Res. 42–43; and S. Res. 57. **Pages 1460, 1463**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 20, authorizing expenditure of $125,000 by Committee on Post Office and Civil Service for holding hearings and making investigations, with amendment (S. Rept. 28)—reported February 10 under prior authorization;

S. Res. 40, extending through January 31, 1956, authority of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to investigate employee welfare and pension plans, and authorizing expenditure of $190,000, with amendment (S. Rept. 29)—reported February 10 under prior authorization;

S. Res. 41, authorizing Committee on Government Operations to employ from February 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, temporary assistants, and authorizing expenditure of $190,000, with amendment (S. Rept. 30)—reported February 10 under prior authorization;

S. 913, to eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of the Senate, with amendment (S. Rept. 31)—reported February 10 under prior authorization;

S. Res. 56, authorizing printing of 28,000 additional copies of report, The Korean War and Related Matters (no written report)—reported February 10 under prior authorization;

S. Con. Res. 9, authorizing printing of additional copies of hearings on Interlocking Subversion in Government Departments, held by Committee on the Judiciary (no written report)—reported February 10 under prior authorization; and

S. 456, relating to the regulation of fishing nets in Alaska waters, with amendments (S. Rept. 32).

Pages 1459–1460

Bill Re-referred: Committee on Agriculture and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 627, Surplus Food Certificate Act of 1955, and it was re-referred to Committee on Finance. **Page 1463**

Confirmations: The nominations of Philip W. Bonsal, of D. C., to be Ambassador to Colombia, and of George T. Moore, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, were confirmed along with 59 other Diplomatic and Foreign Service nominations, 65 in the Coast Guard, and 1 in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Page 1503

Nominations: 5 civilian nominations were received, along with 6,407 in the Navy and 7,911 in the Marine Corps. **Pages 1474–1503**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:59 p. m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, February 14, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3952, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions

of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. One clarifying amendment was adopted which would permit a State to set aside a 10-percent reserve from the additional acreage if such State desired to do so. In a public session conducted prior to this action the subcommittee heard the views of Representatives Edmondson, Smith of Mississippi, Sisk, and Udall, along with Reuben Johnson, speaking for the National Farmers Union, and W. W. Campbell, chairman of the board of directors, Bank of Eastern Arkansas.

FEDERAL RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation concluded hearings on H. R. 104, 384, and 3817, bills which would supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects. Representative Thomson of Wyoming presented further testimony in support of the proposed legislation. Other witnesses today, speaking basically in favor of this type of legislation, were Matt Triggs, assistant legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; Lloyd C. Halvorson, economist, the National Grange, and Charles H. Callison, representing the National Wildlife Federation. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held an executive organizational meeting. Made no announcement.

AERONAUTICS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: F. B. Lee, Administrator, accompanied by other officials of the Civil Aeronautics Administration, discussed the jurisdiction and future program of that agency today. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee met in executive session with AEC members to discuss prices that the Atomic Energy Commission will charge and pay for nuclear fuels used and produced by power reactors.

Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION—PRINTING

Joint Committee on Printing: The committee held its executive organizational meeting, following which it announced that it had:

(1) Elected Senator Hayden as its chairman and Representative Burleson as its vice chairman;

(2) Elected James L. Harrison and Paul C. Beach as its staff director and assistant staff director, respectively;

(3) Discontinued the free distribution of individualized copies of Congressional Directories to members of the press, radio, and TV, and periodical press galleries; sufficient working copies for members of these galleries will be provided; and

(4) Adopted a committee resolution prohibiting the printing of stationery for subcommittees.

Monday, February 14, 1955

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 15, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved the following projects:

Army disposal projects Nos. 9–A, Fort Richardson, Alaska; 39, Camp Stewart, Ga.; and 42, Camp Swift, Tex.; and

Air Force acquisitions Nos. 249, Brandywine, Md.; 253 and 254, Foster Air Force Base, Tex.; 255, Fort Miley, San Francisco, Calif.; 256, George AFB, San Bernardino, Calif.; 259, Hancock Field, N. Y.; 262, Montgomery, Ala.; and 263, Milwaukee, Wis.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Chairman Fulbright announced the appointment of committee members to subcommittees, as follows:

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Fulbright, *Chairman*

Sparkman	Capehart
Frear	Bricker
Lehman	Beall

BANKING

Robertson, *Chairman*

Frear	Ives
Douglas	Bennett
Monroney	Bush

FEDERAL RESERVE

Douglas, *Chairman*

Fulbright	Capehart
Robertson	Bricker
Frear	Bennett

CURRENCY AND COINAGE

Monroney, *Chairman*

Robertson	Beall
Morse	Payne

SECURITIES

Lehman, *Chairman*

Fulbright	Bricker
Monroney	Ives
Morse	Bennett

HOUSING

Sparkman, *Chairman*

Fulbright	Capehart
Douglas	Ives
Lehman	Bush
Monroney	Payne

PRODUCTION AND STABILIZATION

Frear, *Chairman*

Sparkman	Capehart
Douglas	Bricker
Morse	Bush

SMALL BUSINESS

Morse, *Chairman*

Robertson	Ives
Sparkman	Beall
Lehman	Payne

FHA MORTGAGE INSURANCE AUTHORITY

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Subcommittee on Housing, in executive session, unanimously approved for full committee action S. J. Res. 42, to increase by $1.5 billion the FHA mortgage insurance authority.

Prior to approval of this bill, the subcommittee held hearings thereon, with testimony favoring its enactment from Albert M. Cole, HHFA Administrator, and Norman P. Mason, FHA Commissioner.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 34 public bills, H. R. 3989–4022; 22 private bills, H. R. 4023–4044; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 213 and 214, H. Con. Res. 83 and 84, and H. Res. 139 and 140, were introduced. **Pages 1510, 1521–1522**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 473, to authorize an investigation and report on the advisability of a national monument in Brooklyn, N. Y., amended (H. Rept. 47);

H. R. 607, providing that lands reserved to the Territory of Alaska for educational purposes may be leased for periods not in excess of 55 years (H. Rept. 48);

H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of the U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress (H. Rept. 49); and

H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements (H. Rept. 50). **Page 1521**

Trade Agreements: Adopted H. Con. Res. 83, authorizing the printing of 2,500 additional copies of the hearings on H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, for the use of the Committee on Ways and Means. **Page 1510**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:23 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Resumed hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Testifying in regard to this proposal today were Harold E. Talbott, Secretary of the Air Force; Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Air Force Chief of Staff; H. Chapman Rose, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard; and Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service System. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Resumed consideration of H. R. 2535 and 2536, Hawaii-Alaska statehood bills, and heard Representative Pillion, a member of the committee, speak in opposition to legislation providing statehood for Hawaii and Alaska. He was also questioned, in connection with his testimony, by members of the committee. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered favorably reported to the full committee five private immigration bills of the House.

HIGHWAY LEGISLATION

Committee on Public Works: Announced that hearings would be conducted Wednesday morning, February 16, before full committee, on H. R. 234, 235, and 2127, identical bills to revise the Federal-aid highway laws of the United States. Witnesses will be C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner, and Henry J. Kaltenbach, Solicitor, Bureau of Public Roads.

Tuesday, February 15, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate and House committees reported bills increasing FHA mortgage insurance authority.

Bills extending President's trade-agreement authority and increasing judicial and congressional salaries cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1530–1554

Bills Introduced: 31 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1060–1090; S. J. Res. 44–45; and S. Con. Res. 13–14. Pages 1534–1535, 1540–1541

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. J. Res. 42, to increase by $1.5 billion the FHA mortgage insurance authority (S. Rept. 33). Page 1534

Trade Agreements: Senate adopted H. Con. Res. 83, authorizing printing of 2,500 additional copies of hearings held on H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Page 1541

Nominations: Three civilian nominations were received, including those of Louis S. Rothschild, of Missouri, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation, and Boyd Leedom, of South Dakota, to be a member of the NLRB, along with 248 nominations in the Army, and 1 in the Navy. Pages 1555–1556

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:06 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcomittee on Real Estate and Military Construction met in executive session and approved the following projects:

Navy acquisition project No. 105, Jackson County, Ark.; and

Navy disposal projects Nos. 27, Mechanicsburg, Pa.; 31, Arcadia, Calif.; 33, Grosse Ile, Mich.; 37, Young's Bay, Oreg.; and 44, Astoria, Oreg.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

FHA MORTGAGE INSURANCE AUTHORITY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee unanimously ordered favorably reported without amendment S. J. Res. 42, to increase by $1.5 billion the FHA mortgage insurance authority.

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Review of the U. N. Charter held an executive organizational meeting, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 16, at 12 o'clock noon, when the House will act on H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress.

Committee Meetings

RICE

Committee on Agriculture: The Thompson subcommittee met executively today with officials of the Department of Agriculture for general discussion on the rice situation and proposed legislation to be introduced on this subject. Meeting with the group were Alton J. Satterfield, grain marketing specialist, Commodity Stabilization Service; and Charles E. Burkhead and Henry G. Brown, agricultural statisticians with the Agricultural Marketing Service.

COMMODITIES—AERONAUTICS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2123, to repeal the law providing for a revolving fund for the purchase of natural fibers and hides produced in the United States and to be processed in occupied areas and sold; and

H. R. 2581, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities

and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research.

Approved numerous real-estate projects which were recommended by the Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals.

Also voted to report adversely to the House H. Res. 136, requesting the Secretary of Defense to furnish the House of Representatives certain information as to extent and cost of military installations.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 heard testimony today from Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense, Manpower and Personnel, at its hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Recessed on the measure until tomorrow morning.

FHA MORTGAGE INSURANCE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. J. Res. 202, to increase by $1.5 billion the mortgage insurance authority of the Federal Housing Administration.

CIVIC AUDITORIUM

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Morrison subcommittee resumed public hearings on H. R. 1825, creating a Federal commission to formulate plans for the construction in the District of Columbia of a civic auditorium, including an Inaugural Hall of Presidents and a music, fine arts, and mass communications center. Officials and representatives of local civic groups, musical organizations, and citizens' associations appeared at the session to testify on behalf of the proposed measure. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: The Special Subcommittee on Donable Property resumed public hearings on H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. Witnesses testifying today in connection with this proposed legislation were Representatives Sisk, Matthews, Johnson of Wisconsin, Fountain, and Scudder; Ray Ward, staff director, Special Subcommittee on Donable Property; Bradshaw Mintener, Assistant Secretary for Federal-State Relations, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, who was accompanied by other officials of that agency; L. K. Barry, chairman, National Association of State Agencies for Surplus Property; Harold L. Pearson, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget; Robert F. Keller, Assistant to the General Counsel, General Accounting Office; C. E. Caffrey, Washington representative, American Cotton Manufacturers Institute; Robert F. Nolan, Massachusetts State Agency for Government Surplus (representing Gov. Christian A. Herter); Maxwell Elliott, representing the General Services Administration (who was accompanied by officials of that agency); and James Curran, Assistant Superintendent of Prisons, State of Maryland. Recessed until Thursday morning.

GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Special Subcommittee on Government Activities held an executive organizational meeting. Made no announcement.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Considered amendments to H. R. 2535 and 2536, bills to admit Hawaii and Alaska into the Union. Recessed until tomorrow morning to further consider amendments and vote on final passage.

MARITIME

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Officials of the Office of General Counsel, Maritime Administration and the Federal Maritime Board, held general discussion of that office today. Appearing at the session were Clarence G. Morse, General Counsel; and James Pimper and Elmer E. Metz, Assistant General Counsels. Also received a statement for the record from the Office of Regional and Hearings Examiners. Recessed until tomorrow morning to meet with Maritime Administration official.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' SALARIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Members of Congress testified today in connection with proposals to increase the salaries of postal employees. Testimony was submitted by Representatives Miller of California, Shelley, Quigley, Bennett of Florida, Merrow, Griffiths, Madden, Rogers of Florida, Wright, Rabaut, Christopher, Becker, Miller of New York, Powell, Doyle, Murray of Illinois, Thompson of Louisiana, Bass of Tennessee, Sisk, Blatnik, Derounian, Staggers, Celler, Buchanan, Rogers of Colorado, Wier, McCarthy, Dollinger, Thompson of New Jersey, Reuss, Lovre, Scott, Byrne of Pennsylvania, Teague of California, Aspinall, Zablocki, Bolling, Dingell, Mailliard, Dempsey, Boykin, Barrett, Tollefson, Fulton, Auchincloss, Vanik, Friedel, Davidson, Diggs, Dorn of South Carolina, Buckley, Knutson, Delaney, Magnuson, Lane, Kelley of Pennsylvania, Granahan, Sullivan, Fallon, Byrd, Fogarty, Wickersham, Fine, Addonizio, Bennett of Michigan, Forand, Sadlak, Garmatz, Feighan, and Donohue.

Other witnesses to testify today were Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees; James B. Cobb, president, National Alliance of Postal

Employees; and George Riley, member, national legislative committee, AFL, who spoke on both postal and Federal pay-scale increases.

Statements were furnished for the record by the American Legion, which submitted a resolution adopted at its national convention in Washington, 1954, entitled "Need for Realistic Adjustment of the Civil-Service Pay Scale"; Alfred DeMatteo, president, National Association of Post Office Custodial Employees; and the American Veterans Committee, Inc.

Hearings will be continued tomorrow when Ewan Clague, of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and GAO officials are scheduled to testify.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule, with not to exceed 2 days of general debate, on H. R. 1, to continue to June 30, 1958, the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Representative Cooper requested the closed rule and spoke on behalf of the proposed bill. Representative Reed of New York spoke in support of the rule, but in opposition to the bill. Representative Mills also favored a closed rule. Members of the House, who urged an open rule on the legislation, were Representatives Feighan, Jenkins, Mason, Baker, Saylor, Byrd, Minshall, Scudder, Bailey, Cederberg, Steed (who represented the Oklahoma delegation), Davis of Georgia, Edmondson, Bray, Wickersham, and Thomson of Wyoming.

JUDICIAL-CONGRESSIONAL SALARIES

Committee on Rules: Granted a restricted open rule, providing for 2 hours of general debate, on H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress. The rule would permit only amendments to the bill which would increase or decrease amounts presently contained therein, or to strike out any portion of the measure. Representatives Celler and Reed of Illinois both spoke in support of the rule as granted.

VETERANS—SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met in open session to hear officials of the VFW and the Veterans of World War I, Inc., who presented their 1955 legislative program. The following witnesses were heard: Merton B. Tice, national commander, VFW; Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative director, VFW; Emanuel Levy, national commander, Veterans of World War I; and George J. Young and Charles Gore, co-chairmen, national legislative committee, Veterans of World War I.

Committee Chairman Teague of Texas also announced the appointment of the following subcommittees:

Administration—Representatives Byrne of Pennsylvania (chairman), Kee, Diggs, Weaver, and Teague of California.

Compensation and Pension—Representatives Dorn of South Carolina (chairman), Christopher, Diggs, Fino, and Thomson of Wyoming.

Education and Training—Representatives Kee (chairman), Edmondson, Sisk, Ayres, and Adair.

Hospitals—Representatives Long (chairman), O'Brien of New York, Sisk, Kearney, and Avery.

Housing—Representatives Edmondson (chairman), Shuford, Christopher, Ayres, and Weaver.

Insurance—Representatives Aspinall (chairman), Byrne of Pennsylvania, Shuford, Siler, and Teague of California.

Spanish War—Representatives Boykin (chairman), Dorn of South Carolina, Aspinall, Fino, and Thomson of Wyoming.

Wednesday, February 16, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House passed judicial-congressional salary-adjustment bill.

Bill to admit Hawaii and Alaska into the Union approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, February 18, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: In an evening session, the committee continued its hearings on S. 669, to provide an elected Mayor, City Council, School Board, and nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives for the D. C. Testimony was heard as follows:

Favoring enactment of the bill were Representative Powell; Glenn Watts, D. C. Industrial Union Council; Woolsey Hall, Central Northwest Citizens Association; Marie Cloos, American Association of University Women; Chester Shore, AVC; Mrs. Gertrude Evans, executive secretary, Progressive Party of D. C.; J. C. Turner, vice president, Washington Central Labor Union; Jess P. Bennett; A. J. Costello; and Herbert P. Leeman, president, Central Suffrage Conference;

Also favoring, but with suggested amendments, was George W. Hodgkins, a D. C. citizen;

Opposing enactment of the bill were E. F. Colladay, general counsel, Washington Board of Trade; Mrs. Ernest W. Howard, Federation of Women's Clubs and Columbia Heights Citizens Association; Mrs. Mabel Morris, president, Randle Highlands Citizens Association; Mrs. Harvey Wiley, D. C. Federation of Women's Clubs; and F. Elwood Davis, D. C. form of government committee, Washington Board of Trade, who suggested amendments to the bill; and

Recommending that the bill be amended was William S. Cheatham, General Counsel, National Capital Planning Commission.

Hearings continue February 22.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee began hearings on S. 968, to authorize Federal assistance to States and communities to enable them to increase public elementary and secondary school construction. Testimony favoring enactment of this bill was heard from HEW Secretary Oveta Culp Hobby and Assistant HEW Secretary Boswell B. Perkins; Samuel Brownell, Commissioner of Office of Education; Orrin G. Judd and Earle K. Moore, both of Goldstein, Judd & Gerfein law firm; Cushman McGee, Pressprich & Co., New York; George LeVind, Blyth & Co., New York; and Leonard Sullivan, Phelps, Fenn & Co., New York.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 84 public bills, H. R. 4045–4128; 36 private bills, H. R. 4129–4164; and 11 resolutions, H. J. Res. 215–219, H. Con. Res. 85, and H. Res. 141–145, were introduced. **Pages 1559, 1593, 1628–1631**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 141, providing for the consideration of, 2 hours of debate on, and the limiting of amendments to H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress (H. Rept. 51);

H. Res. 142, closed rule providing for 2 days of debate on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements (H. Rept. 52);

H. R. 2123, to repeal the law providing for a revolving fund for the purchase of natural fibers and hides produced in the United States and to be processed in occupied areas and sold (H. Rept. 53);

H. R. 2581, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research (H. Rept. 54);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 55);

(Adverse) H. Res. 136, requesting the Secretary of Defense to furnish the House of Representatives certain information as to extent and cost of military installations (H. Rept. 56);

Annual report of the Committee on Un-American Activities pursuant to H. Res. 5, 84th Congress (H. Rept. 57); and

H. R. 3952, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agriculture Act of 1938, as amended (H. Rept. 58). **Page 1628**

Congressional-Judicial Salaries: By a rollcall vote of 283 yeas to 118 nays the House passed H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress.

The bill was passed in its reported form after amendments had been rejected that sought to cut by $2,500 the increases provided for circuit judges and Federal district judges.

Also rejected an amendment to reduce by $5,000 the increases provided for the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court.

An amendment to fix the compensation of Congressmen at $17,500 in lieu of $22,500 as provided by the bill was rejected by a division vote of 63 yeas to 176 nays.

Amendments that sought to delete provisions of the bill increasing ceiling of wages fixed for the professional staff and the clerical staff of standing congressional committees were rejected.

Two efforts to defer the effective date of the bill to 1957 were ruled out of order.

A motion to recommit the bill was rejected by a voice vote.

H. Res. 141, the rule providing for the consideration of, 2 hours of debate on, and the limiting of amendments to, H. R. 3828 was previously adopted by a voice vote. **Pages 1559–1589**

Military Information: Voted to table H. Res. 136, requesting the Secretary of Defense to furnish the House of Representatives certain information as to extent and cost of military installations, at request of chairman of the Committee on Armed Services who stated the information had been received. **Page 1589**

Committee Elections: Adopted H. Res. 143, electing Representatives Bush and Nicholson to membership on the Committee on Public Works. **Page 1593**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:54 p. m.

Committee Meetings

CONSERVATION PAYMENTS—COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments;

H. R. 3952, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. This bill was amended to permit a State to set aside a 10-percent reserve from the additional acreage if such State desired to do so.

RESERVES—SPORTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 discussed H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces, and announced that public hearings on this proposal will be resumed tomorrow morning.

Also held a hearing on H. R. 3014, authorizing personnel of the Armed Forces to participate in international sports. Col. Blake Miller testified on this bill on behalf of the Department of the Air Force.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 resumed hearings on H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel, testified on the legislation. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

INVESTIGATION RULES

Committee on Armed Services: The Subcommittee for Special Investigations announced that the subcommittee had voted to change its special rule No. 7 relating to "open and closed" meetings. The changed rule deals with information with respect to matters allegedly affecting the national security frequently not presented until the time for hearing or during the hearing. The following is the addition to rule No. 7—

Whenever any member of the executive department shall have business before the subcommittee, and matters affecting the national security shall be involved, it shall be the duty of such person or persons to advise the chairman of the subcommittee at least 24 hours in advance of his scheduled appearance of the contents of that portion of his proposed testimony which is classified, giving classification thereof and determination thereof in accordance with Executive Order 10501.

Other classifications than those prescribed in Executive Order 10501 will not be considered by the subcommittee.

Any witness presenting a prepared statement shall remove from it all classified material and shall place the same (if in writing) in a separate document with the classification clearly marked in accordance with Executive Order 10501.

If no action is taken by a prospective witness, in accordance with this rule it will be presumed that there is no information to be discussed affecting the national security.

Classifications, for the convenience of the executive department in the conduct of its official business, having a similar designation to the classifications prescribed in Executive Order 10501, will not be considered by the subcommittee. In such matters as shall relate to matters of executive policy, the official charged therewith shall be given notice as herein provided for matters affecting the national security.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis subcommittee held a hearing today on H. R. 3753, to set aside the action of the D. C. Commissioners on August 30, 1954, rescinding their exception of the Fire Fighting Division of the Fire Department pertaining to nondiscrimination. The measure also proposes that all future assignments of personnel be made with the standards and practices which prevailed prior to August 30, 1954. Officials of the Fire Department testified in connection with the bill, which will be considered in public session on a date to be set by the chairman.

USIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met executively today with the following officials of the U. S. Information Agency—Theodore C. Streibert, Director; Abbott Washburn, Deputy Director; Andrew Berding, Assistant Director for Policy Programs; and Saxton Bradford, Assistant Director for the Far East. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will consider draft bill to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1946.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: The Special Subcommittee on Donable Property will continue its public hearings tomorrow on H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. Favorable action on the measure was not taken by the group yesterday as carried in the DIGEST's account of the day's proceedings.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered reported favorably to the House, with amendments, H. R. 2535, relating to admission of Alaska and Hawaii into the Union. The committee vote to report the bill was 19 in favor, 6 against, and 1 present.

SALINE WATERS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation began hearings on H. R. 2126 and H. R. 2104, to amend the act of 1952, relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters. Witnesses heard on the proposed measure were Edward Frye, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Water and Power, Department of the Interior; Sheppard T. Powell, consulting engineer, Baltimore, Ohio; and David S. Jenkins, Director,

Saline Water Conversion Program (Department of the Interior). Recessed until tomorrow morning.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 conducted a public session on H. R. 3658, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the United States to recover damages under the antitrust laws. Heard the views of Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2, in executive session, adopted rules of procedure to be followed on private claim bills.

VESSELS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Discussed the subject of transferring vessels of American flag to foreign flag, receiving testimony from the following witnesses—C. H. McGuire, Director, National Shipping Authority, Maritime Administration; Louis S. Rothschild, Administrator, and Clarence Morse, General Counsel, of the Maritime Administration; and Hoyt Haddock, Conference of American Maritime Unions. Committee recessed until tomorrow.

POSTAL-FEDERAL PAY BILLS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Representative O'Hara of Illinois testified today in support of legislation to increase the salaries of postal workers. Also heard testimony from the following officials of the Bureau of Labor Statistics regarding Federal-postal pay raises—Ewan Clague, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Labor, accompanied by Harry M. Douty, Division of Wages and Industrial Relations; and Mrs. Ethel D. Hoover, Chief, Branch of Consumers Prices.

Following the representatives from the Department of Labor, testimony was received from the following officials of the General Accounting Office—John H. Martiny, legislative attorney, Office of the General Counsel; William A. Newman, Associate Director, Division of Audit; and James M. Campbell, attorney, Office of the General Counsel. Officials of this agency are scheduled to return tomorrow morning.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY PROGRAM

Committee on Public Works: Officials of the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce, testified at hearings today on H. R. 234, and related bills, to revise the Federal-aid highway laws of the United States. Meeting with the committee were C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner; and Henry J. Kaltenbach, Solicitor. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee concluded its hearings on the President's economic report with a discussion today on economic policies contained in the report. Witnesses were: Thomas Kennedy, vice president, UMW; Charles B. Shuman, president, American Farm Bureau Federation; Herschel D. Newsom, master, the National Grange; Emerson Schmidt, chief economist, Chamber of Commerce of the U. S.; and Don Mahon, president, National Brotherhood of Packinghouse Workers, and secretary of the National Independent Union Council.

Statements were submitted for the record by Frazar B. Wilde, chairman of the research and policy committee, Committee for Economic Development, and Henry G. Riter III, president, NAM.

It was announced that the committee's report is expected to be submitted by March 1, 1955.

Thursday, February 17, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House debated trade-agreements extension bill.

Bills relating to aeronautical research facilities and cotton quota provisions cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, February 18, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

SITUATION IN GERMANY, AND NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee held hearings on the nomination of Julius C. Holmes to be

Ambassador to Iran, where the nominee testified in his own behalf.

Also, the committee heard U. S. High Commissioner to Germany James B. Conant discuss the present situation in Germany.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs held hearings to receive testimony from Herbert Hoover, Jr., Under Secretary of State, and FOA Director Harold E. Stassen.

The hearings will continue tomorrow.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee continued its hearings on S. 968, to authorize Federal assistance to States and communities to enable them to increase public elementary and secondary school construction. Testimony was received today from the following witnesses: Senator Beall, who also submitted a statement for the record on behalf of Governor McKeldin, of Maryland; Dr. William Carr, executive secretary, National Education Association; Dr. Erick L. Lindman, professor of education, George Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn.; Capt. Russell C. Bartman, executive director, Pennsylvania State School Building Authority, Harrisburg, Pa.; Dr. John M. Lumley, deputy superintendent of public instruction, State department of education, Harrisburg, Pa.; Dr. Frederick Hipp, New Jersey Education Association, Trenton; Oscar Rose, superintendent of schools, Midwest City, Okla.; and Lee Cochran, national committee on school buildings, American Institute of Architects, Washington, D. C.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee concluded hearings on S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government, and S. 774, Federal Employees Pay Act of 1955. Testimony was heard as follows:

Endorsing enactment of S. 67 were James A. Campbell, president, AFGE; Russell Stephens, president, American Federation of Technical Engineers; Thomas Maddock, chairman, legislative committee, National Association of Federal Mechanics; Dillard B. Lasseter, executive officer, Organization of Professional Employees, Agriculture Department; and Alfred F. Beiter, president, National Customs Service Association;

Also favoring S. 67, but with suggested amendments, were Luther C. Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees; and E. W. McCabe, chairman, committee on legislation, Internal Revenue Employees Association, Nashville, Tenn.; and

Endorsing S. 774 were Dillard B. Lasseter and J. Austin Latimer, legislative counsel, National Association of Postmasters.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H. R. 4165–4179; 19 private bills, H. R. 4180–4198; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 220, and H. Res. 146 and 147, were introduced.

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Trade Agreements: Adopted, by a rollcall vote of 193 yeas to 192 nays, H. Res. 142, the closed rule providing for 2 days of debate on H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. During its consideration the motion for the previous question was rejected, 178 yeas to 207 nays. An amendment to the rule was then proposed making amendments to H. R. 1 in order generally and limiting debate to 5 hours. The proffered amendment was rejected by a recapitulated vote of 191 yeas to 193 nays.

After 64 minutes of debate on H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, further action on the bill was deferred to Friday.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:25 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Ezra Taft Benson, Secretary of Agriculture, accompanied by True D. Morse, Under Secretary, and other officials of the Department of Agriculture, attended the opening session on H. R. 12, and similar bills, relating to price supports on basic commodities. The Secretary discussed the pending legislation, particularly the subject of dairy supports. He also discussed the progress of agriculture. Committee will resume tomorrow morning with officials of the Department of Agriculture as witnesses.

RESERVES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 resumed public hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Today's witnesses were Albert Pratt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Vice Adm. J. L. Holloway, Jr., Chief of Naval Personnel; and Maj. Gen. L. J. Sverdrup, Washington, D. C. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 met for further hearings on H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. Testifying at this session were Vice Adm. J. L. Holloway, Jr., Chief of Naval Personnel; and Maj. Gen. Morris J. Lee, Director of Personnel, Planning Department of the Air Force. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

REAL-ESTATE PROJECTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals discussed various Army-Navy real-estate projects today, and approved Navy acquisition project No. 102. Also approved an Army project for NIKE at Seattle, Wash., and a portion of NIKE project for Boston (Mass.) area. Adjourned subject to call of Chair.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in open session to consider the draft bill to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1946, and heard the following witnesses: Loy Henderson, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration; and George F. Wilson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Personnel.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: Special Subcommittee on Donable Property resumed public hearings on H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public-health purposes. Testifying on this proposal were Representative Teague of California; W. J. McNeil, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); Patrick Healy, Jr., executive director, American Municipal Association; and J. B. Blackford, of Richmond, Va. Hearings will be continued on Monday morning.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 2126 and H. R. 2104, to amend the act of 1952, relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters. Representative Wilson of California testified in favor of the proposed legislation. David S. Jenkins, Director, Saline Water Conversion Program (Department of the Interior), completed his testimony on the subject which was started yesterday. Technical experts, who discussed and explained the various processes of research that they are presently developing for utilization of saline waters, were Dr. G. L. Laserson, Nuclear Development Associates, Inc., White Plains, N. Y.; Dr. K. C. D. Hickman, Badger Manufacturing Co., Cambridge, Mass.; Dr. George W. Murphy, State University of New York, Albany, N. Y.; and Dr. Maria Telkes, of New York University, New York City.

The subcommittee also met the officers and directors of the National Reclamation Association at this session. Those presented were C. Petrus Peterson, of Nebraska, president; Guy Jackson, of Texas, vice president, and members of the board of directors.

ALASKA FISHERIES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 249, relating to the regulation of fish nets in Alaska waters. Testifying on the measure today were Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, author of the bill; and Seton Thompson, Chief, Branch of Alaska Fisheries, Department of the Interior.

SHIP SUBSIDIES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held discussions with officials of the Maritime Administration and the Federal Maritime Board relative to operating differential subsidies. Attending the session were H. M. Hochfeld, Chief, Office of Government Aid; Walter C. Ford, Deputy Maritime Administrator; and Thomas Lisi, Office of General Counsel, Operating Subsidy Branch. Recessed until next Wednesday morning.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Concluded hearings today on legislation to increase salaries of postal employees. Officials of the General Accounting Office completed their statements on the subject which were started at yesterday's session. The following Members of Congress then presented their testimony—Representatives McDonough, Roosevelt, Kearns, Holtzman, Ashmore, Lankford, Cramer, Perkins, Hosmer, O'Brien of Illinois, Van Zandt, Burnside, Green of Pennsylvania, Herlong, Metcalf, Boyle, Fino, Engle, Aspinall, Rutherford, and Gavin.

Statements for the record were also presented by James A. Campbell, president, American Federation of Government Employees; and the Council of State Chambers of Commerce.

A short executive session followed, and is scheduled to be resumed next Thursday, February 24.

AERONAUTICS—COTTON—INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules providing for 1 hour debate on the following—

H. R. 2581, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research; and

H. R. 3952, to amend the cotton quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

Representative Durham appeared in support of the aeronautical research facility bill. Representatives Gathings and Thompson of Texas spoke in support of

the rule for H. R. 3952, which was opposed by Representative Smith of Mississippi.

Also considered, but postponed further action until tomorrow, H. Res. 22, authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction. Testifying on this resolution were Representatives Celler, Walter, Reed of Illinois, Keating, and Fine. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon when it will consider other pending resolutions.

Friday, February 18, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Trade-agreements extension bill passed by House.

Miscellaneous resolutions relating to studies and investigations approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 32 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1091–1122; S. J. Res. 46–47; and S. Res. 58. **Pages 1704–1705, 1707**

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress, was ordered to be placed on calendar. **Page 1707**

German Rearmament: Convention on Relations Between the Three Powers and the Federal Republic of Germany, as amended by 1954 protocol on termination of occupation of Germany, were ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 11. **Page 1723**

D. C. Home Rule: Committee on the District of Columbia was authorized during the next 2 weeks to meet during Senate sessions on S. 669, to provide an elected Mayor, City Council, School Board, and nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives for the D. C. **Page 1701**

Nominations: 8 civilian nominations were received, including that of Chester R. Davis, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, along with the withdrawal of one postmaster nomination. **Page 1726**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:51 p. m.

Committee Meetings

GOVERNMENTS IN OCCUPIED AREAS

Committee on Appropriations: The Subcommittee on State, Justice, and Judiciary held executive hearings on appropriations for Governments in Occupied Areas. Testimony was heard with regard to funds for their respective areas from Dr. James B. Conant, U. S. High Commissioner to Germany, and Llewellyn E. Thompson, Jr., U. S. High Commissioner to Austria, both of whom were accompanied by their associates.

The subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs continued its hearings, with testimony from the following witnesses: Dr. Earle Butz, Assistant Secretary for Marketing and Foreign Agriculture, Agriculture Department; Glen E. Edgerton, Managing Director and President, Export-Import Bank of Washington; Bradshaw Mintener, Assistant Secretary, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources, Interior Department; and Marshall Smith, Acting Assistant Secretary for International Affairs, Commerce Department. The witnesses discussed their agencies' part in and relation to technical assistance programs. Hearings continue February 21.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued its hearings on S. 968, to authorize Federal assistance to States and communities to enable them to increase public elementary and secondary school construction. Testimony in favor of the bill's enactment was received from Senator Payne, who was accompanied by Frank S. Hoy, vice chairman, Maine State Board of Education.

Testimony in opposition to the bill was heard from the following witnesses: Senator Magnuson (who also read a statement into the record on behalf of Mrs. Pearl A. Wannamaker, State superintendent of public instruction, Olympia, Wash.); Dr. Edgar Fuller, executive secretary, Council of Chief State School Officers (accompanied by Dr. Madaline Remmlin); Thomas D. Bailey,

State superintendent of public instruction, Tallahassee, Fla.; R. M. Eyman, State superintendent of public instruction, Columbus, Ohio; and Dr. Frank Wright, associate State superintendent of public instruction, Sacramento, Calif.

Hearings continue Monday.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 39 public bills, H. R. 4199–4237; 21 private bills, H. R. 4238–4258; and 8 resolutions, H. J. Res. 221–225, and H. Res. 148–150, were introduced.

Pages 1727, 1796, 1800–1801

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 148, open rule providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 2581, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research (H. Rept. 59);

H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise, amended (H. Rept. 60);

H. R. 103, providing for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies, amended (H. Rept. 61);

H. Res. 149, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise (H. Rept. 62); and

H. Res. 150, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 3952, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (H. Rept. 63).

Pages 1799–1800

Commission Resignation: Received resignation of Representative Preston from the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission. Page 1726

Commission Appointment: Representative Karsten was appointed by the Speaker to membership on the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission. Page 1727

Trade Agreements: Passed by rollcall vote of 295 yeas to 110 nays, H. R. 1, to extend for 3 years the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements under section 350 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. Prior to its passage a motion to recommit the bill with instructions to incorporate an amendment rewriting the escape-clause provision was rejected by a vote of 199 yeas to 206 nays. Several committee amendments were adopted (for details of amendments see DIGEST of February 10 under "Committee Meetings"). Pages 1727–1795

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:14 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed hearings on H. R. 12, amending the Agricultural Act, with respect to price supports for basic commodities; and similar bills. Officials of the Department of Agriculture testified and were interrogated during the session. Those appearing were True D. Morse, Under Secretary; Don Paarlberg, assistant to Secretary Benson; Robert Farrington, Solicitor; and other officials. Recessed on the legislation until next Wednesday morning.

RESERVES

Committee on Armed Services: Officials of the National Security Training Commission testified before Subcommittee No. 1 today on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Appearing at the session were Commissioners Warren H. Atherton, Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, and Adm. Thomas C. Kincaid. Recessed until Monday morning.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 continued its hearings on H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. Today's witnesses were Maj. Gen. R. N. Yount, Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1, U. S. Army; Brig. Gen. Nels Nelson, G–1, USMC; Rear Adm. W. W. Kenner, Chief, Office of Personnel, U. S. Coast Guard; Robert Johnston, Public Health Service; and Capt. I. E. Rittenberg, of the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Adjourned until Tuesday morning.

EUROPE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on Europe met in executive session today with James B. Conant, U. S. High Commissioner to Germany.

VOTING—COMMITTEE STUDIES

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following measures reported to the House—

H. R. 4048, amended, making recommendations to the States for enactment of legislation to permit and

assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise;

H. Res. 31, $50,000 for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs (pursuant to H. Res. 30);

H. Res. 89, amended, $50,000 for the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries (pursuant to H. Res. 118);

H. Res. 110, amended, $495,000 for the Committee on Government Operations;

H. Res. 128, $35,000 for the select committee to investigate and study the benefits provided under Federal law for the survivors of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces (pursuant to H. Res. 35);

H. Res. 129, $50,000 for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs (pursuant to H. Res. 63); and

H. Res. 131, $2,000 for the Committee on the District of Columbia.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Public Lands held its organizational meeting and heard Department of Interior officials discuss the jurisdiction and proposed future program of their respective divisions. Those appearing were William G. Guernsey, Associate Director, Bureau of Land Management; and Edward C. Crafts, Assistant Chief, Forest Service. The witnesses were interrogated in connection with their statements. Recessed until next Friday, February 25.

INVESTIGATIONS—STUDIES

Committee on Rules: Ordered two resolutions reported to the House which would authorize committees to conduct investigations and studies with respect to matters within their jurisdiction, as follows: H. Res. 105, amended, for Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce; and H. Res. 91, amended, for the Committee on Foreign Affairs. Representatives Priest, Harris, and Heselton appeared on H. Res. 105; and Representatives Richards and Vorys appeared on H. Res. 91.

The committee also considered, but deferred action on, H. Con. Res. 63, establishing a joint congressional committee on civil rights; and H. Res. 97, creating a select committee to conduct an investigation and study of the causes of crimes committed in violation of the laws of the United States, and of other crimes affecting the national health, welfare, and morals, and of methods of preventing such crimes. Representatives Roosevelt and Anfuso, authors of the respective resolutions, testified on their proposals. Recessed subject to call of Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Joint Committee on the Library: The committee held an executive organizational meeting and elected Representative Burleson as its chairman and Senator Green as its vice chairman. Jack W. Watson was appointed chief clerk to the committee.

Monday, February 21, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate took up bill on congressional-judicial salary adjustment.

Bill extending certain excise and corporate taxes and providing $20 tax credit to taxpayers approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1831–1882

Bills Introduced: 36 bills and 13 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1123–1158; S. J. Res. 48–49; and S. Res. 59–69. **Pages 1835–1840, 1841**

Resolutions Reported: The following resolutions were reported by the Committee on the Judiciary and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration:

S. Res. 58, to increase further the limit of expenditures by Subcommittee on Internal Security of Committee on the Judiciary ($260,000), with amendment (S. Rept. 34);

S. Res. 61, authorizing expenditure of $250,000 by Committee on the Judiciary for a study of the antitrust laws of the U. S. and their administration and interpretation and effect (S. Rept. 35);

S. Res. 62, authorizing expenditure of $154,000 by Committee on the Judiciary from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to conduct a full and complete study of juvenile delinquency in the U. S. (no written report);

S. Res. 63, authorizing expenditure of $58,500 by Committee on the Judiciary from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, for an examination and review of the Administration of the Trading With the Enemy Act (no written report);

S. Res. 64, authorizing expenditure of $36,500 by Committee on the Judiciary from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to investigate problems connected with emigration of refugees from Communist tyranny to certain Western European nations (no written report);

S. Res. 65, authorizing expenditure of $13,600 by Committee on the Judiciary, or the standing Subcommittee on National Penitentiaries, from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, in holding hearings and making investigations insofar as they relate to national penitentiaries (no written report);

S. Res. 66, authorizing expenditure of $102,000 by Committee on the Judiciary from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, in holding hearings and making investigations (no written report); and

S. Res. 67, authorizing expenditure of $30,000 by Committee on the Judiciary from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to make a study of the narcotics problem in the U. S. (no written report). Pages 1835–1836

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 1831

Committee Authorizations and Printing: Senate adopted five resolutions on committee authorizations and printing, as follows:

S. Res. 20, authorizing expenditure of $125,000 by Committee on Post Office and Civil Service for employment, from February 1, 1955, through January 31, 1956, of additional assistants for a complete study and investigation of administration of Government employees' security program (after adoption of committee amendment in nature of a substitute, as amended);

S. Res. 40, extending through January 31, 1956, authority of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare to investigate employee welfare and pension plans, and authorizing expenditure of $190,000 therefor (after adoption of committee amendment in nature of a substitute, and rejection of Ellender amendment to reduce authorized funds from $190,000 to $150,000);

S. Res. 41, authorizing Committee on Government Operations to employ, from February 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, temporary assistants, and authorizing expenditure of $190,000 therefor (after adoption of committee amendment);

S. Res. 56, authorizing printing of 28,000 additional copies of report entitled "The Korean War and Related Matters"; and

S. Con. Res. 9, authorizing printing of additional copies of parts of hearings on interlocking subversion in Government departments, held by Committee on the Judiciary. Pages 1848–1853

Oaths of Office: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 913, to eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of the Senate. Page 1853

Alaska Fish Nets: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 456, relating to the regulation of fishing nets in Alaska waters. Page 1853

Congressional and Judicial Salaries: Senate took up S. 462, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, and Members of Congress. Following debate on the bill, Senate reached unanimous-consent agreement that on Wednesday, February 23, debate on the pending Bush amendment to eliminate from bill proposed increase for Members of Congress, and on any other amendment or motion shall be limited to 30 minutes, to be equally divided; that no nongermane amendment shall be received; when no further amendment is to be proposed to the bill, Senate shall, without debate, proceed to consideration of H. R. 3828, the companion bill, which shall be deemed to be amended by substituting for its text the language of S. 462, if and as amended; and that on passage of H. R. 3828, as amended, debate shall be limited to 1 hour equally divided. Pages 1853–1882

Nominations: 29 Army nominations were received. Page 1882

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:11 p. m.

Committee Meetings

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs continued its hearings, and heard today from Assistant Secretary of State George Allen, whose testimony was with particular reference to technical assistance to India; and from Dr. Walter Van Kirk, National Council of Churches, and Rev. Frederick McGuire, National Catholic Welfare, who expressed the points of view of their organizations with regard to these programs.

Hearings continue Wednesday, February 23.

HAWAII AND ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs began hearings on S. 49, to enable the people of Hawaii and Alaska each to form a constitution and State government and to be admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States. Testimony was heard from Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay, who favored statehood for Hawaii, but opposed statehood for Alaska under the terms of S. 49. The Secretary was accompanied by his assistants.

The committee also received testimony from Delegates Farrington and Bartlett, both of whom endorsed enactment of the bill.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

LOCAL SERVICE AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Aviation Subcommittee began hearings on S. 651, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air

carriers. Testimony favoring enactment of this bill was received from the following witnesses: John F. Floberg, chairman, Conference of Local Airlines; C. A. Myhre, president, Frontier Airlines, Inc.; Max H. Miller, United Cement Co., Wichita, Kans.; Gwin Hicks, president, Lake Central Airlines, Inc.; Paul J. Rodgers, executive assistant to the president, Ozark Air Lines, Inc.; Richard P. Axten, Alexander Smith Co., New York; Keith Kahle, president and general manager, Central Airlines, Inc.; Paul Taber, representing Cooperative GLF Exchange, Ithaca, N. Y.; Frank W. Hulse, president, Southern Airways, Inc.; Fred Boston, Enid, Okla.; and William C. Burt, Koteen & Burt, counsel for Bonanza Airlines, Inc.

Robert L. Cummings, Jr., president, New York Airways, Inc., suggested that the bill be amended to include helicopters in its provisions.

Hearings continue Thursday, February 24.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following resolutions authorizing funds for operations of subcommittees, as indicated:

S. Res. 58—Internal Security—$260,000 (with an amendment in the nature of a substitute);

Original resolutions:

S. Res. 61—Antitrust and Monopoly—$250,000;

S. Res. 62—Juvenile Delinquency—$154,000;

S. Res. 63—Trading With the Enemy Act—$58,500;

S. Res. 64—Refugees and Escapees—$36,500;

S. Res. 65—National Penitentiaries—$13,600;

S. Res. 66—Immigration and Naturalization—$102,000; and

S. Res. 67—Improvements in Federal Criminal Code—$30,000.

The committee also announced that it had:

(1) Changed from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m. on February 23 the time for the hearing on the nomination of John Marshall Harlan to be an Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court;

(2) Referred to a subcommittee (Senators Daniel, chairman, Johnston of South Carolina, and Langer) the nomination of Gilbert H. Jertberg to be U. S. district judge, southern district of California; and

(3) Indefinitely postponed further action on S. 165 and 540, relating to increase of salaries of justices, judges, and Members of Congress (in view of recent reporting of S. 462, similar bill).

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee held hearings to question Harvey Matusow, presently of New York, a former Communist who has recanted on some of his previous testimony. The witness was questioned as to whether or not he had received any help in writing his book, False Witness, and also regarding some of his previous testimony, particularly that submitted to the subcommittee in October of 1952 concerning the International Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers, and individuals connected therewith. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued its hearings on S. 968, to authorize Federal assistance to States and communities to enable them to increase public elementary and secondary school construction, and heard testimony today from the following witnesses: Selma M. Borchardt, American Federation of Teachers; Andrew J. Biemiller, AFL; Frederick Lukens, Education Association of the D. C., Columbian Educational Association; John Burkhart, on behalf of Indiana State and Indianapolis Chambers of Commerce; George Guernsey, Department of Education and Research, CIO; Mrs. Virginia M. Gray, National Congress of Parents and Teachers; Philip Schiff, American Association of Social Workers; Carlyle G. Hoyt, superintendent of schools, Fairfield, Conn.; Donald F. Summers, superintendent of schools, Zanesville, Ohio; Clarence Mitchell, NAACP; and Edward Hollander and John Gunther, both of the ADA.

Committee recessed subject to call.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Public Roads began hearings on S. 1048, and other related bills, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act to authorize appropriations for continuing the construction of highways. Testimony was heard from Francis V. du Pont, consultant to the Secretary of Commerce, and C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner of Bureau of Public Roads, Commerce Department. Hearings continue Wednesday, February 23.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 22, at 12 o'clock noon,

Committee Meetings

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 resumed public hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for

strengthening of the Reserve forces. Testimony in support of the legislation was presented by the following witnesses today: Albert Pratt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy; Vice Adm. J. L. Holloway, Jr., Chief of Naval Personnel; Comdr. J. L. Stimson, Office of Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Air; Maj. Gen. J. C. Burger and Col. W. S. McCormick, Director of Reserves, and Assistant Director, respectively, U. S. Marine Corps; David S. Smith, Assistant Secretary of Air (Manpower and Personnel); and Maj. Gen. William Hall, Assistant Chief of Staff for Reserve Forces. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis subcommittee resumed its hearings on H. R. 3753, to set aside the action of the D. C. Commissioners on August 30, 1954, rescinding their exception of the Fire Fighting Division of the Fire Department with respect to nondiscrimination. The measure also proposes that all future assignments of personnel be made with the standards and practices which prevailed prior to August 30, 1954. Officials and retired officers of the Fire Department presented further testimony today in support of the bill. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Chairman Barden announced today that executive discussion would be held on Wednesday morning relative to the President's message of February 8, 1955, on school construction.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: The Special Subcommittee on Donable Property concluded public hearings on H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. Witnesses testifying were Representative Bennett of Florida; John L. Keogh, Director of Storage Distribution and Disposal, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Supplies and Logistics; accompanied by Ralph C. Spencer, Staff Director; and other officials of the Department of Defense; and John Thomas, Director, Personal Property Utilization Division, Federal Supply Service, General Services Administration, and other GSA officials. Recessed until Wednesday morning for executive consideration of the proposed bill.

SCHOLARSHIPS—CHEROKEE INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs considered, but took no action on, H. R. 1591, to assist the several States in providing scholarships to enable high-school graduates of Indian blood to pursue their education at colleges and universities. Representative Metcalf, author of the bill, spoke on its behalf, and Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior Department, also testified in favor of the bill's objectives, but suggested certain changes.

Glen L. Emmons, Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Barton Greenwood, Assistant Commissioner, and Donald Proux, his Special Assistant, answered subcommittee questions on the subject of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in North Carolina. Mr. Emmons also discussed the Government's proposed Indian program. Recessed until tomorrow morning to consider other Indian education bills, following a brief meeting of the full committee.

HEALTH PROGRAM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Chairman Priest announced last Friday that the committee will begin its health hearings on Wednesday, March 2. They will be held before the full committee and the first witness will be Secretary Oveta Culp Hobby of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Secretary Hobby will give the committee an explanation of the administration's health program, including the administration's omnibus health bill (H. R. 3458) which Chairman Priest introduced at an earlier date, and other bills which form a part of the administration's health program but which have been referred to other committees of the House of Representatives. The purpose of the initial presentation is to afford the committee an opportunity to get a broad picture of the administration's health program without going into details at that time on any part of the program. Further health hearings will be scheduled in the near future on various titles of the omnibus health bill and related health bills referred to this committee. The order in which the several titles of the omnibus health bill will be taken up has yet to be determined.

TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Chairman Cooper announced that he had been directed today to introduce a clean bill which would continue for 1 year from April 1, 1955, to April 1, 1956, the present corporate rate of 52 percent and the present excise tax rates on distilled spirits (also beer and wine), cigarettes, gasoline, automobiles and motorcycles, trucks, buses and truck trailers, auto parts and accessories, and diesel and special motor fuel, as contained presently in H. R. 4200. This extension was requested by the President. It is estimated that in a full year of operation the continuation of the corporate tax rate will produce an additional $1.750 billion, and the continuation of the present rates on the above-enumerated excise taxes will produce $1.08 billion.

The committee also agreed to include in the clean bill, which it directed the chairman to introduce, a provision providing a $20 tax credit for taxpayers, their spouses and dependents. This $20 credit would be provided in each case where there is presently a $600 exemption; for

example, in the case of an aged taxpayer (65 years of age or over) or of a blind taxpayer—who are now given an additional $600 exemption—there would be a credit of $40 provided. A married couple with three children would be permitted to take a credit of $100 against their taxes (5 times $20).

This $20 credit would become effective January 1, 1956, and would be immediately reflected in the amount withheld from wages and salaries by an adjustment in the withholding tables which would be effective for pay received on and after January 1, 1956.

Will meet executively tomorrow afternoon on the clean bill.

Joint Committee Meetings

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Subcommittee on Research and Development held its executive organizational meeting, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call of the Chair.

Tuesday, February 22, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received President's message on national highways and heard reading of Washington's Farewell Address.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1889–1899

Bills Introduced: 9 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1159 to S. 1167. Page 1898

President's Message: Message from President embracing certain recommendations for a national highway program was received, read, and referred to Committee on Public Works. Pages 1895, 1904–1905

Washington's Farewell Address: Senate heard the reading of George Washington's Farewell Address by Senator Bush. Pages 1889–1893

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:16 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Agricultural Exports, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with an amendment S. 752, to amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from CCC stocks. The amendment would require sales to be charged off against the setaside under the Agriculture Act of 1954.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Civil Defense Subcommittee (Senators Kefauver, Jackson, and Smith of Maine) met to hear testimony regarding operations and policies of the civil defense program, including radioactive fallout problems, and geographical dispersal of Government agencies. Testimony was heard from Arthur S. Flemming, Director, ODM; Val Peterson, Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Administration; and Willard F. Libby, Commissioner, and Dr. John C. Bugher, Director of Biology and Medicine, both of the AEC.

Subcommittee will meet again on Saturday, February 26.

D. C. HOME RULE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The committee continued its hearings on S. 669, to provide an elected Mayor, City Council, School Board, and nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives for the D. C. Testimony favoring enactment of the bill was heard from the following witnesses: Senators Payne, Lehman, Case, Saltonstall, Beall, Neuberger, and Barrett (statements from Senators Kefauver, Dirksen, and Duff were inserted in the record); Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Washington Home Rule Committee, Inc.; Aaron Goldman, codirector, National Conference of Christians and Jews; Dr. Maurice Goldberg, B'nai B'rith; Melvin D. Hildreth, Democratic national committeeman for D. C.; H. Bernard Shapson, social action committee of the Young People's Group of Temple Sinai; Dr. Frederick E. Reissig, Washington Federation of Churches; Philip L. Graham, publisher, the Washington Post and Times Herald; Mrs. Montgomery Blair, member, board of directors, Home Rule Committee; Leslie S. Perry, NAACP; Philip Schiff, Jewish Welfare Board and Federation of Social Work-

ers; Richard L. Merrick, D. C. Bar Association; Malcolm Henderson, Connecticut Avenue Citizens Association; Adm. Neill Phillips, vice president, Washington Housing Association; Martin Rosensky, Roosevelt High School student; Walter E. Washington, suffrage committee, Federation of Civic Associations; and F. Joseph Donohue, Rabbi Balfour Brickner, Russell Schneider, Theodore Wedel, Fontaine Bradley, J. Noel Macy, Mrs. Alfred Friendly, and Phillip Brown—all D. C. citizens.

Testifying in opposition to the bill was Mrs. Cornelia H. Hill, D. C. Federation of Women's Clubs.

The chairman announced that the hearings were concluded, but that the record would remain open for 2 days for inclusion of additional written statements.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Territories and Insular Affairs Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 49, to enable the people of Hawaii and Alaska each to form a constitution and State government and to be admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States. Testimony, as indicated, was heard from the following witnesses: Under Secretary of Air Force James H. Douglas, who supported statehood for Hawaii but opposed statehood for Alaska; Ralph B. Dewey, D. C. representative of Pacific American Steamship Association, and Robert Kline, a D. C. attorney representing the United States Lines, both of whom urged that the bill be amended to provide that after Hawaii becomes a State, the operating subsidy provided under the Merchant Marine Act would continue to apply to ships serving Hawaii and beyond; William Zimmerman, representing the American Association on Indians Affairs, who urged amendments to protect Indian rights; Miles Brandon, president, Anchorage Camp of Alaskan Native Brotherhood, who also urged amendments to protect Indian rights; and Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, Department of the Interior, who testified on technical phases of the bill.

The hearings were not concluded and the subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Internal Security continued its hearings to question Harvey Matusow, presently of New York, a former Communist who has recanted on some of his previous testimony. The witness was questioned at length with regard to his activities in several Western States during 1952 senatorial campaigns.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H. R. 4259–4278; 11 private bills, H. R. 4279–4289; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 226–220 and H. Res. 151 and 152, were introduced. **Pages 1911–1912**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 91, authorizing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to conduct an investigation of matters pertaining to U. S. foreign policy, amended (H. Rept. 64);

H. Res. 105, to authorize the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to conduct investigations and studies with respect to certain matters within its jurisdiction, amended (H. Rept. 65);

H. J. Res. 202, authorizing $1.5 billion increase in FHA mortgage insurance (H. Rept. 66);

H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (H. Rept. 67);

H. R. 1801, authorizing the purchase, sale, and exchange of certain Indian lands on the Yakima Indian Reservation (H. Rept. 68); and

H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, and to provide a $20 credit against the individual income tax for each personal exemption (H. Rept. 69). **Page 1911**

Washington's Farewell Address: Pursuant to a special order agreed to on February 2, the House heard the reading of George Washington's Farewell Address by Representative Cramer. **Pages 1900–1904**

President's Message—Highways: Received Presidential message recommending a 10-year construction program designed to modernize the Nation's system of roads and highways. The message was referred to the Committee on Public Works and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 93). **Pages 1904–1905**

Calendar Wednesday: Pursuant to a unanimous-consent request, Calendar Wednesday business, in order on February 23, was dispensed with. **Page 1906**

Bills Referred: Two Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 1911**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:08 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 heard further testimony today in support of H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Witnesses testifying were Maj. Gen. Edgar C. Erickson, Chief, National Guard Bureau, and Brig. Gen. W. P.

Wilson, Deputy Chief for Air, National Guard Bureau. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Capt. David Martineau, of the Bureau of Personnel, U. S. Navy, testified today, before Subcommittee No. 2, in support of H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances. He will continue his testimony at tomorrow's session.

MINERAL RESOURCES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Reconsidered H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development, adopted an amendment thereto, and again ordered the bill favorably reported to the House.

The committee also approved emergency rehabilitation and betterment work on the Carlsbad project, New Mexico.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs heard further testimony on matter of contracted food services for Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; also on matter of leasing vehicles by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs: Glenn L. Emmons, Commissioner; H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner; W. Barton Greenwood, Assistant to the Commissioner; Leon V. Langan, Assistant to the Commissioner; and Donald J. Proulx, property and supply officer. Ralph C. M. Flynt, of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, submitted a statement for inclusion in the record in connection with H. R. 1591, to assist States in providing scholarships to enable high-school graduates of Indian blood to pursue their education at colleges and universities.

TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Voted (16 to 9) to report to the House H. R. 4259, to continue for 1 year (April 1, 1955, to April 1, 1956) the present corporate tax (52 percent) and certain excise taxes. It also provides a $20 tax credit for taxpayers, their spouses and dependents.

Wednesday, February 23, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed congressional-judicial salary adjustment bill.

House passed bills increasing cotton acreage allotments and authorizing aeronautical research facilities construction.

Bill extending certain excise and corporate taxes and providing $20 tax credit to taxpayers cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1922–1931

Bills Introduced: 34 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1168 to S. 1201. **Pages 1925–1926**

Committee Assignment: Senator Bridges obtained unanimous consent that for duration of 84th Congress Senator Saltonstall be placed ahead of Senator Bridges on Committee on Armed Services so that Senator Saltonstall will be ranking minority member of that committee, but without prejudice to right of Senator Bridges to resume this place thereafter. **Pages 1930–1931**

Congressional-Judicial Salary Adjustment: By 62 yeas to 24 nays, Senate passed H. R. 3828, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, and Members of Congress, which had first been amended by substitution therefor of text of S. 462, companion bill (as amended by adoption of committee amendment in nature of a substitute therefor). Prior to this action, other amendments to S. 462 were rejected, as follows: By 3 yeas to 80 nays, Bush amendment to eliminate from bill proposed increases for Members of Congress; by 15 yeas to 71 nays, Williams amendment deferring salary increase until budget has been balanced; Ellender amendment providing salary for Members of Congress of $20,000 rather than $22,500, after rejection of amendment by Senator Case of South Dakota thereto to provide salary of $17,500 to Members of Congress (Kefauver point of order against Case amendment was overruled); on reconsideration, Ellender amendment providing salary for Members of Congress of $20,000 rather than

$22,500; Morse amendment providing $12,500 for congressional salaries rather than $22,500, repeal of $2,500 expense allowance for Members of Congress and in lieu thereof increasing allowances of Members of Congress for long-distance telephone calls, air mail-special delivery stamps, and allowance for clerical assistants (Dirksen point of order against this amendment was overruled); Morse amendment to increase from $3,000 to $5,000 deduction for income-tax purposes of living expenses by Members of Congress; and Thye amendment setting up schedule for increases in salaries of U. S. attorneys and increasing salaries of Deputy Attorney General, Solicitor General, and Assistant Attorneys General.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Kefauver, Kilgore, Eastland, Watkins, and Dirksen (Senators Daniel and Welker were first appointed to the conference committee, but resigned thereafter and were replaced by Senators Eastland and Dirksen).

Pages 1931–1947

Nominations: 134 diplomatic and Foreign Service nominations were received. Pages 1955–1956

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:19 p. m.

Committee Meetings

ARMY BRIEFING

Committee on Armed Services: The committee met in executive session to receive a briefing from Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens.

The committee will meet again tomorrow for a briefing by Air Force officials.

D. C. JUDGES' SALARIES

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on the Judiciary held and concluded hearings on S. 727, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals and the D. C. municipal court. Testimony favoring enactment of this bill, but with certain suggested amendments, was heard from the following witnesses: Samuel Spencer, President, D. C. Board of Commissioners; Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; John L. Laskey, representing D. C. Bar Association; Mrs. Maurine Howard Abernathy, vice president, Women's Bar Association; F. Joseph Donohue; Belford V. Lawson, representing Juvenile Court Advisory Committee; William S. Thompson, president, Washington Bar Association; and James J. Laughlin and Charles S. Rhyne, both D. C. attorneys.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of Allin H. Pierce, of Illinois, to be a judge in the Tax Court of the U. S., and Thomas Coggeshall, of Connecticut, to be a member of the Renegotiation Board.

The committee also announced that it will begin hearings on H. R. 1, trade agreements extension bill, on Wednesday, March 2, and that the final date for making application to testify thereon will be Friday, March 4. Consolidation of testimony into single oral presentation will be requested where it is known there are several witnesses in same industry with same opinion. Duplication of testimony before House committee will not be heard as staff has prepared digest of House hearings for presentation to committee in executive session; however, if association or individual has additional recommendations to supplement House testimony, committee will schedule appearance, limiting oral remarks, but allowing privilege of submitting written statement for record.

The committee also announced that it will hold hearings on Monday morning, February 28, to hear Secretary Humphrey testify on H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, and to provide a $20 credit against the individual income tax for each personal exemption, and will hold an executive session that afternoon for consideration of this bill.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs continued its hearings, with general testimony today from the following witnesses: Willard L. Thorp, Amherst College; Victor Reuther, CIO; and Rabbi Philip Bernstein, American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF MATTERS

Committee on Government Operations: The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations met in executive session to consider matters pertaining to its staff.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of Ross Rizley, of Oklahoma, to be a member of the Civil Aeronautics Board, and Louis Rothschild, of Missouri, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation.

Prior to approval of these nominations, hearings were held thereon and on the nomination of George C. McConnaughey, of Ohio, to be a member of the Federal Communications Commission. The nominees appeared on their own behalf. Also appearing with regard to Mr. McConnaughey's nomination were Senator Kefauver, who questioned the nominee; Senator Bender, who favored his approval; Harry R. Booth, attorney, of Chicago; and Joseph P. Selly, president, American Communications Association, New York.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Internal Security met in executive session to question Albert

Kahn, of New York, one of the publishers of Harvey Matusow's book, False Witness. The subcommittee made no announcements and recessed subject to call of the Chair.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee met in executive session and took the following actions:

(1) Approved a committee resolution creating a subcommittee (Senators Neely, Lehman, and Bender) to make an investigation of the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries;

(2) Ordered favorably reported sundry nominations in the Public Health Service; and

(3) Agreed to hold hearings on Friday, February 25, on the nomination of Boyd Leedon to be a member of the NLRB.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills. Testimony, as indicated, was heard from the following witnesses: George D. Riley, AFL, who favored an expanded highway program and suggested amendments relating to fair labor practices; Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau Federation, who opposed an increase in Federal funds over the present authorization, and recommended that the Federal gas tax be terminated; and Lloyd Halvorson, the National Grange, who favored S. 1048 with certain recommendations relating to financing.

Hearings will continue Friday, February 25, when members of the Association of State Highway Officials and a representative of the National Farmers Union will be heard.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 28 public bills, H. R. 4290–4317; 38 private bills, H. R. 4318–4355; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 230 and 231, H. Con. Res. 86, and H. Res. 153–155, were introduced. **Pages 1994–1995, 2006–2008**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 3659, to increase criminal penalties under the Sherman Antitrust Act (H. Rept. 70); and

H. Res. 153, providing for the consideration of, 4 hours of debate on, and limiting amendments to, H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, and to provide a $20 credit against the individual income tax for each personal exemption (H. Rept. 71). **Page 2006**

Forest Reservation: Representatives Colmer and Coon were appointed by the Speaker to membership on the National Forest Reservation Commission. **Pages 1960–1961**

Committee Investigations: By voice votes the House approved H. Res. 105 and 91, authorizing certain investigations and studies by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce and the Committee on Foreign Affairs, respectively. **Pages 1961–1966**

Cotton Quotas: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 3952, to amend the cotton marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended. Rejected several amendments to increase the additional acreage allotment provided by the bill and adopted a perfecting committee amendment. The bill provides a 3-percent increase in the acreage allotment of each cotton State, thereby adding 543,234 acres across the country and giving a new total acreage of 18,656,442.

H. Res. 150, the rule under which the bill was considered, was adopted earlier. **Pages 1966–1994**

Judicial-Congressional Pay: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Celler, Walter, and Reed of Illinois. **Page 1994**

Aeronautical Research: By a voice vote the House passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 2581, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research.

H. Res. 148, the rule providing for the consideration of H. R. 2581, was adopted earlier. **Pages 1995–1998**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:40 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Began hearings on H. R. 12, to reestablish 90 percent of parity price supports for basic commodities, and all similar bills. Opposition to the proposed legislation was furnished by Charles B. Shuman and Walter Randolph, president and vice president, respectively, of the American Farm Bureau Federation. Testimony favoring rigid price supports was presented by John A. Baker, assistant to the president, National Farmers Union, who will continue his statement at tomorrow's session.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Testimony favoring enactment of H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces, was presented before Subcommittee No. 1 today by Dr. Arthur Adams, Chairman of the Reserve Forces Policy Board; and Rear Adm. William W. Kenner and other representatives of the U. S. Coast Guard. Recessed until tomorrow morning when an official of the Department of Labor is scheduled to testify on the proposal.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 continued its hearings on H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances. Capt. David Martineau, Bureau of Personnel, U. S. Navy, testified again today, and was followed by Comdr. F. B. Voris, Special Activities Branch, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, U. S. Navy; and Comdr. M. des Granges, officer in charge, Experimental Diving Unit and Deep Sea Diving, Washington, D. C. Recessed until Friday morning.

CIVIC AUDITORIUM

Committee on District of Columbia: Members of Congress appeared before the Morrison subcommittee today in support of H. R. 1825, creating a Federal Commission to formulate plans for the construction in the District of Columbia of a civic auditorium, including an Inaugural Hall of Presidents and a music, fine arts, and mass communications center. Those heard were Representatives Thompson of New Jersey, Celler, Rhodes of Pennsylvania, Wier, Blatnik, and Powell. Mrs. Perle Mesta, former U. S. Ambassador to Luxembourg, and other interested citizens of Washington also testified. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Held open discussion of the President's message to Congress (February 8, 1955) relative to school construction. Will resume on same subject Friday morning.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in open session to further consider the draft Foreign Service bill, and heard the following witnesses—Loy Henderson, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration; and George F. Wilson, Assistant Controller for Personnel.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: The Special Subcommittee on Donable Property held executive consideration of H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes.

LOCAL-SERVICE AIRLINES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Began hearings on H. R. 526 and 2225, to grant local-service airlines permanent certificates. Witnesses testifying at today's session were John F. Floberg, chairman, Conference of Local Airlines, Washington, D. C.; C. A. Myhre, president, Frontier Airlines, Inc., Denver, Colo.; Max H. Miller, chairman, aviation committee, Chamber of Commerce, Wichita, Kans.; and G. Hamilton Beasley, who presented the statement of Nick Bez, president, West Coast Airlines, Inc., Seattle, Wash. Adjourned until tomorrow morning when it will continue on the proposed legislation.

MARITIME

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed discussions of the operations and activities of the Maritime Administration and the Federal Maritime Board. Attending the session were the following officials of the Maritime Administration—H. M. Hochfeld, Chief, Office of Government Aid; Elmer C. Metz, Assistant General Counsel, Division of Contracts; and Robert C. King, Chief, Division of Trade Routes. Recessed on topic until tomorrow morning.

TAXATION

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule (with one exception) providing for 4 hours of general debate on H. R. 4259, extending corporate taxes and certain excise rates for 1 year, and providing for a $20 tax credit for taxpayers, their spouses and dependents. The exception to the rule would permit an amendment to strike from the bill that section which relates to allowance of a $20 credit for each personal exemption, and pro forma amendments shall be in order. A request for the closed rule was made by Representative Cooper and supported by Representatives Reed of New York and Mills.

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HIGHLIGHTS

House debated taxes and passed Armed Forces voting bill.
Senate committee approved postal employees' salary adjustment bill.
Conferees agreed to file report on congressional-judicial salary adjustment bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, February 25, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held executive hearings to consider various construction items on behalf of the Air Force and Army to be funded out of previously appropriated funds. Testimony was heard from Col. K. R. Barney, Director of Installations, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Army; Lyle S. Garlock, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force; and Col. W. E. Leonhard, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations, Air Force.

NOMINATIONS AND BRIEFING

Committee on Armed Services: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Trevor Gardner, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, and 15,687 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

Prior to approval of Mr. Gardner's nomination, hearings were held thereon, with testimony favoring his confirmation from Air Force Secretary Harold E. Talbott.

The committee also held morning and afternoon executive sessions to receive a briefing from Mr. Talbott and Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force.

The committee will meet again tomorrow to receive a briefing by representatives of the Navy.

PUBLIC HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Subcommittee on Housing held hearings to receive testimony regarding the proposed action of the Public Housing Administration to dispose of Shanks Village, N. Y., housing project. Representing the residents of Shanks Village was Paul F. Mundt, vice president, New Village Cooperative, Inc., Orangeburg, N. Y., and appearing in behalf of the PHA was Commissioner Charles E. Slusser, PHA. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs continued its hearings, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Charles Taft, chairman, Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid; Dr. Norman Palmer, University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Edward McGavran, University of North Carolina; Mrs. A. Paul Hartz, American Federation of Women's Clubs; and Dr. Howard Teaf, Jr., American Friends Service Committee. Hearings continue Wednesday, March 2.

INDIAN AFFAIRS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs met to discuss the overall policies of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Participating in this discussion were Commissioner Glenn L. Emmons, and Associate Commissioner H. Rex Lee, both of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior Department; and Louis Sigler, attorney, representing Indian groups.

LOCAL SERVICE AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Aviation Subcommittee held hearings on S. 651, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers. Testimony favoring its enactment was heard from Joseph P. Adams, member, CAB; Crocker Snow, director, Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission for National Association of State Aviation Officials; and Ray McMurray, president, Air Line Pilots Association. Testifying in opposition to the bill were Chan Gurney, Acting Chairman, CAB; Under Secretary of Commerce Walter Williams; and Harmar D. Denny and Josh Lee, members, CAB.

C. M. Belinn, president, Los Angeles Airways, Inc., requested that helicopter operators be included in the provisions of the bill. James G. Ray, representing Fairchild Engine & Aircraft Corp., testified with regard to the availability of a new aircraft for the type of service involved.

A statement was submitted in favor of the bill for Nick Bez, president, West Coast Airlines, Inc.

The subcommittee announced that these hearings are concluded, but that the record will remain open for several days for the inclusion of additional written statements.

NOMINATION—SUPREME COURT

Committee on the Judiciary: The committee held executive hearings on the nomination of John Marshall

Harlan to be Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court. Testimony favoring the confirmation of Mr. Harlan was heard from the following witnesses: Senator Smith of New Jersey; Wendell Berge, D. C. attorney; Edward J. Fox, Jr., chairman, committee on Federal judiciary, American Bar Association; Leonard J. Emmerglick, professor of law, Georgetown University; Edmund H. Lewis, president, New York State Bar Association; Judge Joseph M. Proskauer, judiciary committee, New York County Lawyers Association; Whitney North Seymour, Association of Bar, City of New York; and John Buchanan, attorney, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Testimony opposing the nomination was heard from Herman Methfessel, attorney, of Miami, Fla.; and Merwin K. Hart, president, National Economic Council, New York.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' SALARY INCREASE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department. As approved, the bill would provide:

(1) That each increase shall be 10 percent or at least $430;

(2) A ceiling on postal field employees of $14,800;

(3) Establishment of 6-step increase provisions for supervisors and postmasters in the amount of $100 each 12 months of satisfactory service—to a maximum of 6 steps; and

(4) That retroactive date be changed from August 23, 1954, to first pay period beginning after December 31, 1954.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 42 public bills, H. R. 4356–4397; 22 private bills, H. R. 4398–4419; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 232–234, H. Con. Res. 87, and H. Res. 156 and 157, were introduced. **Pages 2070–2072**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 31, to provide funds for the expenses of the investigations authorized by H. Res. 30 (H. Rept. 72);

H. Res. 89, to provide funds for the studies and investigations to be conducted pursuant to H. Res. 88 (H. Rept. 73);

H. Res. 110, providing for the expenses of conducting studies and investigations authorized by rule XI (8) incurred by the Committee on Government Operations (H. Rept. 74);

H. Res. 128, to provide funds for the expenses of the investigation and study authorized by H. Res. 35 (H. Rept. 75);

H. Res. 129, to provide funds for the investigations and studies to be made by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs pursuant to H. Res. 63 (H. Rept. 76);

H. Res. 131, to provide funds for necessary expenses of the Committee on the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 77);

H. Res. 140, creating a position as stenographer to the Postmaster (H. Rept. 78); and

Conference report on H. R. 3828, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, and Members of Congress (H. Rept. 79). **Page 2070**

Highways: A motion to re-refer H. R. 4260 and 4261, bills to create a Federal highway corporation for financing the construction of a national system of interstate highways, from the Committee on Public Works to the Committee on Appropriations was rejected by a division vote of 87 yeas to 131 nays. **Page 2029**

Economic Report: A time extension to March 15 for the filing of a report was granted to the Joint Committee on the Economic Report. **Page 2029**

Administrative Resolutions: Considered and adopted the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration authorizing funds for committee investigations:

Interior and Insular Affairs: H. Res. 31, to provide $50,000 for expenses of investigations authorized by H. Res. 30 by the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs.

Merchant Marine and Fisheries: H. Res. 89, to provide $50,000 for expenses of investigations authorized by H. Res. 118 by the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

Government Operations: H. Res. 110, providing $495,000 for expenses of studies and investigations authorized by rule XI (8) incurred by the Committee on Government Operations.

Armed Forces benefits: H. Res. 128, to provide $35,000 for the expenses of investigation authorized by H. Res. 35, creating a select committee to study Federal benefits provided for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces.

Veterans' Affairs: H. Res. 129, to provide $50,000 for investigations and studies to be made by the Committee on Veterans' Affairs pursuant to H. Res. 63.

District of Columbia: H. Res. 131, to provide $2,000 for necessary expenses of the Committee on the District of Columbia. **Pages 2030–2031**

House Post Office: Adopted H. Res. 140, creating a position as stenographer to the Postmaster of the House of Representatives. Page 2031

Taxes: Adopted, by a voice vote, H. Res. 153, providing for 4 hours of debate on, and the limiting of amendments to, H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, and to provide a $20 credit against the individual income tax for each personal exemption. Concluded all general debate but deferred final action on the bill until Friday. Pages 2031–2066

Voting: Adopted committee amendments and passed H. R. 4048, making recommendations to the States for enactment of legislation to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise. Tabled H. R. 3406, a prior bill on the same subject, and H. Res. 149, a rule for the consideration of H. R. 4048. Pages 2066–2069

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:55 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Testimony endorsing H. R. 12, and all similar bills, to reestablish 90 percent of parity price supports for basic commodities, was presented by the following witnesses at today's session—John A. Baker, assistant to the president, National Farmers Union; Edwin H. Christianson, president, Minnesota Farmers Union, and member of board of directors of National Farmers Union; and Herschel D. Newsom, master, the National Grange. Mr. Baker, who concluded his statement of yesterday, at which time he spoke in favor of rigid price supports, was interrogated relative to his testimony in an afternoon session. Adjourned until tomorrow when CIO President Walter Reuther is scheduled to testify.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 held further hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Testimony was received today from Rocco C. Siciliano, Assistant Secretary of Labor, and the following officials of the Reserve Officers Association—Senator Thurmond, of South Carolina, president; Col. C. M. Boyer, executive director; and Col. Justice Chambers, assistant executive director. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

GI SHIPPING COSTS—AERONAUTICS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 2121, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Armed Forces who were required to pay certain transportation charges covering shipment of their household goods and personal effects upon return from overseas; and H. R. 3761, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. Testimony on H. R. 2121 was received from Lt. Col. Louis Jarcho, Department of the Air Force; and the witnesses on the aeronautical research bill were Dr. John W. Crowley, Associate Director for Research, and Ralph Ulmer, Budget Officer, both of the NACA.

SALINE WATERS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation ordered reported to the full committee, without amendments, H. R. 2126, to amend the act of 1952 relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters. A similar bill, H. R. 2104, was ordered tabled. Witnesses appearing on the subject were David S. Jenkins, Director, Saline Water Conservation Program, Department of the Interior; and Edward Frye, Special Assistant to Assistant Secretary of Interior Aandahl. Adjourned subject to call of Chair.

LOCAL-SERVICE AIRLINES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 526 and 2225, to grant local-service airlines permanent certificates. Today's witnesses were Clarence M. Belinn, president, Los Angeles Airways, Los Angeles, Calif.; Crocker Snow, director of aeronautics, State of Massachusetts, representing National Association of State Aviation Officials; Frank W. Hulse, president, Southern Airways, Inc., Atlanta, Ga., who also presented statement of Richard P. Axten, of Alexander Smith, Inc., Greenville, Miss.; Paul Rodgers, executive assistant to president, Ozark Air Lines, Inc., St. Louis, Mo.; William C. Burt, counsel for Bonanza Air Lines, Inc., Keith Kahle, president, Central Airlines, Inc., Fort Worth, Tex.; Fred Boston, board of directors, Central Airlines, Enid, Okla.; and Capt. D. O. Lafferty, Southwest Airlines, Los Altos, Calif. Recessed until tomorrow morning when CAB officials are scheduled to testify.

MARITIME

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: C. H. McGuire, Director, National Shipping Authority, met with the committee today during its consideration of the activities and operations of the Maritime Administration and Federal Maritime Board. He will continue on the same subject tomorrow morning.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Began executive consideration of postal employees' pay legislation. Will resume on same subject tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee met in executive session to consider materials to be included in its report on the President's economic report, and agreed to request authority of Congress to submit this report on March 15 instead of March 1.

The committee will meet again Monday, March 7.

CONGRESSIONAL-JUDICIAL SALARY ADJUSTMENT

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 3828, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress. Major agreements of the conferees are as follows:

(1) Accepted the highest figure in the two bills regarding salaries for judges;

(2) Agreed upon salary for Congressmen of $22,500, plus $1,250 reimbursable on a voucher basis; also accepted Senate language regarding authorization for expenses for six round trips per year between Washington and the place he represents;

(3) Accepted the House language regarding salaries for U. S. attorneys (with the exception of that pertaining to the $6,000 minimum, which was stricken); and

(4) Established an effective date for the provisions of the bill of March 1, 1955.

Friday, February 25, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate rejected conference report on congressional-judicial salaries and requested further conference thereon, and adopted resolutions of ratification on three tax treaties with Japan and Belgium.

House passed bill extending certain taxes and granting income tax relief.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2086–2125

Bills Introduced: 16 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1202 to S. 1217. Page 2091

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 2086

President's Economic Report: By unanimous consent, the Joint Committee on the Economic Report was granted extension of time from March 1 to March 15 for making its report on the President's economic report. Page 2101

Treaties Ratified: Resolutions of ratification on the following taxation treaties with Japan and Belgium were adopted, as follows:

By unanimous vote of 72 yeas, convention between U. S. and Japan for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion respecting income taxes (Exec. D, 83d Cong., 2d sess.);

By unanimous vote of 71 yeas, convention between U. S. and Japan for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion respecting taxes on estates, inheritances, and gifts (Exec. E, 83d Cong., 2d sess.); and

By unanimous vote of 74 yeas, convention between U. S. and Belgium for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to estate and succession taxes (Exec. G, 83d Cong., 2d sess.). Pages 2132–2141

Alexander Hamilton Anniversary: Preliminary report of U. S. Commission for Celebration of 200th Anniversary of Birth of Alexander Hamilton, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 12. Page 2101

Housing Act: Senate passed without amendments S. J. Res. 42, to increase by $1.5 billion the FHA mortgage insurance authority. Pages 2145–2147

Congressional-Judicial Salary Adjustment: Following debate thereon, Senate rejected conference report on H. R. 3828, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress, adopted Williams motion for further conference with House on the bill and that Chair be instructed to appoint conferees, and then adopted, by 62 yeas to 7 nays, Williams motion to instruct conferees to insist upon elimination of language providing for reimbursement for expenses, on a voucher basis, of $1,250 per annum for Members of Congress.

Senators Kefauver, Kilgore, Eastland, Dirksen, and Watkins were appointed as conferees for the further conference requested. Pages 2148–2158

Confirmations: Five civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of Albert J. Hayes, of Maryland, to be a member of National Security Training Commission; Louis S. Rothschild, of Missouri, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation; and Ross Rizley, of Oklahoma, to be member of the CAB, along with five nominations in the Public Health Service.

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Nominations: Senate received the nomination of Robert Tripp Ross, New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative and Public Affairs, along with 120 Coast Guard and 51 Army nominations.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:13 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The Subcommittee on Agricultural Exports held hearings on the operations of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act, with particular reference to cotton. Witnesses testifying were Edwin D. White, Deputy Director, Office of Food and Agriculture, FOA; Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz; and William G. Lodwick, Administrator, and Raymond A. Ioanes, Assistant Director, Foreign Trade Programs Branch, both of the Foreign Agricultural Service, Agriculture Department.

Subcommittee will meet again Monday, February 28, in executive session.

NAVY BRIEFING

Committee on Armed Services: The committee met in executive session to receive a briefing from Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas, Chief of Naval Operations Adm. Robert B. Carney, and Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr.

NOMINATION—FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Federal Reserve Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee the nomination of Charles Noah Shepardson, of Texas, to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. The nominee appeared on his own behalf, and was accompanied by Federal Reserve Board Chairman William McC. Martin.

PRESERVATION OF ROCK CREEK PARK

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee opened hearings on S. J. Res. 36, providing for the preservation of Rock Creek Park, hearing testimony as follows: Testifying in favor of the proposed legislation were Conrad L. Wirth, Director, National Park Service, and Gen. Ulysses S. Grant III, president, American Planning and Civic Association.

Opposing the bill were Senators Butler and Beall, of Maryland (Senator Butler submitted a statement in opposition); Russell McBain, chairman, Maryland State Roads Commission; Carlton Pyles, chairman, and J. Bond Smith, counsel, both of Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission; Joseph Butcher, special assistant to the attorney general of Maryland; Edward Whiting, representing Olmstead Bros., landscape architects of Brookline, Mass., who did the planning for the Belt Highway; and Samuel Spencer, president, D. C. Board of Commissioners. In addition, Harlan Bartholomew, Chairman, National Capital Planning Commission, expressed opposition to certain sections of the bill.

Discussing technical aspects of the bill were William S. Cheatham, General Counsel and Secretary, National Capital Planning Commission; and John Nolen, Director, National Capital Planning Commission, who presented maps and exhibits in connection with this matter.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION—SUPREME COURT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee continued its hearings on the nomination of John Marshall Harlan to be an Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court. Testimony in opposition to this nomination was heard from Maj. George Racey Jordan, American Coalition of New York; Harry F. Klinefelter, Baltimore, Md.; and Mrs. Ernest W. Howard, legislative representative, Wheel of Progress. Mr. Harlan was present to answer questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS—DISTRICT JUDGE AND U. S. MARSHAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee the nomination of M. Frank Reid to be U. S. marshal for the western district of South Carolina.

Prior to his approval, hearings were held on his nomination and on that of William E. Miller to be U. S. district judge for middle district of Tennessee.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS—NLRB

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of Boyd Leedom, of South Dakota, to be a member, and Theophil Carl Kammholz, of Illinois, to be General Counsel, both of the NLRB.

Prior to approval of Mr. Leedom's nomination, hearings were held thereon, with testimony in his behalf from Senators Mundt and Case of South Dakota, and Representative Berry. The nominee appeared on his own behalf.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highways bills, with testimony today from John Baker, National Farmers Union; and George T. McCoy, president, and Rex Whitton, of Missouri, and R. H. Baldock, of Oregon, both directors, Association of State Highway Officials. The witnesses' testimony generally favored an increased highway program. Hearings continue Monday, February 28.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 32 public bills, H. R. 4420–4451; 18 private bills, H. R. 4452–4469; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 235 and 236, and H. Res. 158, were introduced.

Pages 2183–2184

Judicial-Congressional Pay: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Pages 2159–2161

Taxes: By a record vote of 242 yeas to 175 nays the House passed H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal tax rate and of certain existing excise tax rates, and to provide a $20 credit against the individual income tax for each personal exemption. A recommittal motion designed to delete the provision granting income-tax relief was rejected by a rollcall vote of 205 yeas to 210 nays. Earlier, a similar amendment was rejected, while in the Committee of the Whole, by a teller vote of 192 yeas to 197 nays.

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Immigration and Nationality Policy: Representatives Celler, Walter, Feighan, Thompson of Michigan, and Reed of Illinois, were appointed to membership on the Joint Committee on Immigration and Nationality Policy. Page 2182

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:39 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Walter P. Reuther, CIO president, testified today in support of H. R. 12, and similar bills, to reestablish 90-percent-of-parity price supports for basic commodities. Recessed on the subject until next Wednesday morning.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 continued its hearings today on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Testimony was received from Representative Roosevelt; and two officials of the Reserve Officers Association—Col. C. M. Boyer, executive director; and Col. Justice Chambers, assistant executive director. Adjourned until Monday morning.

REAL ESTATE AND CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee held executive discussions of miscellaneous Army and Air Force real-estate projects and one Air Force construction project. Speaking on the Army project was Lawson B. Knott, Office of Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army; and two representatives of the Directorate of Real Property, Department of the Air Force, were heard on the Air Force subjects, Col. Oran O. Price and Col. William Leonhard. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 heard testimony today in support of H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. The following witnesses testified—Col. Frank P. Corbin, Department of the Air Force; and Adm. Elton W. Grenfell, Department of the Navy. Recessed on the subject until Monday morning.

QUANTICO MARINE CORPS SCHOOL

Committee on Education and Labor: Considered H. R. 3253, to amend section 6 of Public Law 874 (81st Cong.), so as to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on Marine Corps installations. Discussed transfer of on-base children to Washington schools from the Quantico Marine Base. Dr. Samuel M. Brownell, Commissioner, Office of Education, and Gen. Gerald C. Thomas, Commandant at the Quantico Marine Base School, with members of his staff, participated in the discussion. Recessed on the subject until next Tuesday morning.

CEMETERIES—SCRIP

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Public Lands considered, but took no action on, H. R. 66, to provide for national cemeteries in the State of Florida; and H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights.

Witnesses appearing on H. R. 66 were Representatives Matthews, Rogers, and Bennett, of Florida; Col. Roy

Wall, Chief, Memorial Division, Office of Quartermaster General (Army), accompanied by George Shelhorse, Office of General Counsel; and Miles Kennedy, national legislative director of the American Legion.

Testifying on H. R. 2972 were Harold R. Hochmuth, Lands Officer, Bureau of Land Management, accompanied by James A. Lanigan, Acting Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior; and Irving Senzel, Lands Staff, Bureau of Land Management.

SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Chairman Priest announced the appointment of three standing subcommittees as follows:

Health and Science—Representatives Priest (chairman), Carlyle, Roberts, Dies, Macdonald, Hayworth, Heselton, Hoffman of Illinois, Springer, Carrigg, and Derounian.

Transportation and Communications—Representatives Harris (chairman), Williams of Mississippi, Mack of Illinois, Dollinger, Rogers of Texas, Flynt, Wolverton, Hinshaw, O'Hara of Minnesota, Hale, and Dolliver.

Commerce and Finance—Representatives Klein (chairman), Granahan, Moulder, Staggers, Friedel, Bennett of Michigan, Beamer, Bush, and Schenck.

Representatives Priest and Wolverton are ex officio members of each subcommittee.

LOCAL-SERVICE AIRLINES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Affairs: At today's hearings on H. R. 526 and 2225, to grant local-service airlines permanent certificates, the committee heard testimony from Chan Gurney, Acting Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board. Mr. Gurney will continue his testimony on Monday morning.

CLAIM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held a hearing on H. R. 3063, a private claim. Heard Representative Scudder, author of the bill, and Miss Esther Hollst, attorney, San Francisco, Calif.

CARGO PREFERENCE—MARITIME

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Adopted committee report today relative to the Cargo Preference Act. Also resumed discussions of the activities of the Maritime Administration and Federal Maritime Board. Charles H. McGuire, Director, Office of National Shipping Authority, Maritime Administration, testified, along with Harold Steffes, Chief, Office of Property and Supply.

Adjourned until next Wednesday when it will meet for discussions with officials of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Discussed amendments to the proposed postal employees pay bill in executive session. Recessed until next Tuesday morning.

SUBCOMMITTEES

Committee on Public Works: Chairman Buckley and Representative Dondero, ranking minority member, designated the following members to serve on subcommittees during the 84th Congress:

Rivers and Harbors—Representatives Blatnik (chairman), Machrowicz, Fallon, Davis of Tennessee, Gentry, Burnside, Blitch, Hull, Gray, Rogers of Florida, Dondero, Auchincloss, Mack of Washington, Scudder, Becker, Cramer, Alger, and Nicholson.

Flood Control—Representatives Davis of Tennessee (chairman), Dempsey, Smith of Mississippi, Jones of Alabama, Thompson of Louisiana, Wright, Hull, Gray, Rogers of Florida, Clark, Mack of Washington, Scudder, Becker, Bush, Withrow, Cramer, Baldwin, and Schwengel.

Roads—Representatives Fallon (chairman), Dempsey, Smith of Mississippi, Machrowicz, Kluczynski, Steed, Davis of Tennessee, Blatnik, Jones of Alabama, Gentry, McGregor, Dondero, George, Scherer, Cramer, Baldwin, and Alger.

Public Buildings and Grounds—Representatives Jones of Alabama (chairman), Kluczynski, Steed, Fallon, Blatnik, Thompson of Louisiana, Burnside, Blitch, Wright, Clark, Auchincloss, McGregor, George, Bush, Withrow, Schwengel, and Nicholson.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Select Committee on Small Business: Announced that Subcommittee No. 2 (Representative Multer, chairman) would begin a series of hearings next Tuesday afternoon (2 p. m.) to study the operations and activities of the Small Business Administration. The sessions for Wednesday and Thursday will begin at 10 a. m. Wendell B. Barnes, Small Business Administrator, is scheduled to be the first witness.

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HIGHLIGHT

Senate adopted conference report on congressional-judicial pay adjustment bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2201–2208

Bills Introduced: 33 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1218 to S. 1250; S. J. Res. 50; and S. Res. 70. Page 2207

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. Res. 70, authorizing Committee on Public Works, from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to expend not more than $100,000 in holding hearings and making investigations (no written report). Page 2207

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 2201

Congressional-Judicial Salary Adjustment: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 3828, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress.

Pages 2236–2237, 2263–2264

Finance Committee Reports: Committee on Finance was authorized to make reports on any pending matters during adjournment of Senate. Page 2237

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of Trevor Gardner, of California, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Boyd Leedom, of South Dakota, to be a member of the NLRB, and numerous nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

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Nominations: Three Army nominations were received.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:25 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The Subcommittee on Agricultural Exports continued its hearings today, in executive session, on the operations of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act. Witnesses heard were Samuel C. Waugh, Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs; William V. Turnage, Deputy Director, Office of International Financial and Development Affairs; and Francis A. Linville, Assistant Chief, International Resources Division, Office of International Trade and Resources, all of the State Department. Hearings continue tomorrow in open session.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Interior and Related Agencies began hearings on proposed 1956 departmental budget estimates, with testimony from Secretary Douglas McKay. Also testifying were Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management; Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources; D. Otis Beasley, Administrative Assistant Secretary; Larry Smyth and Raymond Davis, Assistants to the Secretary; and Sidney D. Larson, Director, Division of Budget and Finance—all of Interior Department.

Hearings continue Wednesday, March 2.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: On Saturday, February 26, the Subcommittee on Civil Defense heard further testimony from Federal Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson regarding operations and policies of the civil defense program, including the problem of radioactive fallout and geographical dispersal of Government agencies. Subcommittee also heard from Russell E. Cooley, a citizen of D. C.

Subcommittee will meet again Thursday, March 3.

BRIEFING BY ARMY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in executive session to hear Army Chief of Staff General Matthew Ridgway conclude the briefing of the committee on the part of the Army.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Charles Noah Shepardson to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and without amendment S. Res. 57, requesting additional funds of $100,000 for committee studies of the Federal housing programs.

The committee announced that it had accepted the resignation of A. Lee Parsons as committee clerk, and had approved the appointment to that position of J. H. Yingling.

The chairman also announced that the Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization will begin hearings on March 8 on the disposal of Government-owned rubber plants, and on S. 691, a bill to reopen negotiations for the sale of a synthetic rubber plant at Baytown, Tex.

TAXATION

Committee on Finance: The committee heard Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey present the views of the administration in opposition to the $20 individual income tax credit provision in H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, and to provide a $20 credit against the individual income tax for each personal exemption.

In an afternoon executive session, the committee decided to hold open hearings tomorrow morning to receive testimony in opposition to the administration's views on this income-tax credit provision as expressed by Secretary Humphrey this morning. Committee will hold an executive session at 2 p. m. tomorrow to vote on the bill and any amendments thereto.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations met in executive session, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

PRESERVATION OF ROCK CREEK PARK

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Saturday, February 26, the committee concluded hearings on S. J. Res. 36, providing for the preservation of Rock Creek Park. Testimony favoring enactment of this joint resolution was received from Adm. Neill Phillips, USN (retired), Audubon Society of America; Miss Harlean James, executive secretary, Committee of 100

for the Federal City, and president of D. C. School Board; Fred Gast, Prince Georges Federation of Citizens Associations; Mrs. Benjamin A. Powell, president, National Garden Club League; Howard Zahniser, executive director, Wilderness Society; Charles H. Callison, National Wildlife Federation; David R. Brower, Sierra Club of California; Fred Packard, National Parks Association; Mrs. U. B. Phillips, resident of area adjoining Rock Creek Park; Gerald P. Nye, Citizens Action Committee, Montgomery County; and Dr. Spencer M. Smith, Forest Conservation Society of America.

Testifying in opposition to this proposed legislation were Joseph D. Buscher, special assistant attorney general of Maryland, and J. Bon. Smith, general counsel to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Committee recessed subject to call.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs continued its hearings with regard to S. 49, to enable the people of Hawaii and Alaska each to form a constitution and State government and to be admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States. Testimony was received from Senators Monroney and Fulbright, both of whom urged that a substitute proposal be adopted providing commonwealth status for these two territories.

Testimony favoring S. 49 and opposing the above-proposed commonwealth status was heard from Delegates Farrington and Bartlett. George Riley, legislative representative, AFL, testified in favor of enactment of S. 49.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation began hearings on S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. Testimony was heard from Senator Chavez; Fred G. Aandahl, Assistant Secretary, W. A. Dexheimer, Commissioner of Reclamation, John Mutz, Bureau of Reclamation, and Glenn L. Emmons, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, all of Interior Department; J. G. Will, secretary and chief counsel of Upper Colorado River Commission; E. O. Larson, regional director, Bureau of Reclamation, Salt Lake City, Utah; G. B. Keesee, Gallup, N. Mex.; and Norman Littell, counsel for Navaho Tribe. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Internal Security Subcommittee resumed its hearings to question further Harvey Matusow, a former Communist who has recanted on some of his previous testimony. The witness was questioned closely as to his personal knowledge of any false statements which he could say were made by any other former Communists who have testified before congressional committees. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highways bills, with testimony today from the following witnesses: George Koss, Associated General Contractors; Mayor Ben West, of Nashville, Tenn., Mayor W. E. Kemp, of Kansas City, Mo., Mayor J. C. Dreher, of Columbia, S. C., and Mayor A. E. Cobo, of Detroit, Mich., all representing the American Municipal Association; and Keith Seegmiller, executive secretary, National Association of County Officials. Hearings continue Wednesday, March 2.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 23 public bills, H. R. 4470–4492; 17 private bills, H. R. 4493–4509; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 88 and 89, H. Res. 159, were introduced.

Pages 2247, 2255–2256

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Report of Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries pursuant to section 136 of the Legislative Reorganization Act pertaining to administration of Cargo Preference Act (H. Rept. 80); and

Conference report on H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress (H. Rept. 81). Page 2255

Committee Election: Adopted H. Res. 159, electing Representative Holifield to membership on the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 2247

Judicial-Congressional Pay: The House further disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3828, to adjust the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress; agreed to a further conference with the Senate; and reappointed Representatives Celler, Walter, and Reed of Illinois conferees.

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Order of Business: The call of the Private Calendar, in order on March 1, and Calendar Wednesday business, in order on March 2, were both dispensed with pursuant to unanimous-consent requests. Page 2249

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:52 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 resumed its hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Witnesses testifying today were Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, Director, Office of Defense Mobilization; Col. Robert J. Philpott, president, Active Duty Reservists Association; William C. Gibbons; Mrs. W. W. Moore; Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker, National Temperance and Prohibition Council; Miss Elizabeth A. Smart, National Woman's Christian Temperance Union; Rev. Thomas E. Boorde, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Nellie Sherrif Dixon, Disabled Veterans Auxiliary; and representatives of the following organizations—American Farm Bureau Federation, Brethren Service Commission, National Association of Evangelicals, National Farmers Union, the National Grange, the National Temperance League, and National Council Against Conscription. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 resumed hearings on H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances. Further testimony was received today from Capt. David Martineau, of the Bureau of Personnel, U. S. Navy. Subcommittee will consider the proposal tomorrow morning in executive session.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began hearings on H. R. 2674, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies. Speaking generally in favor of the objectives of the proposed legislation, with suggested changes, were William McChesney Martin, Jr., Chairman of Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Ray M. Gidney, Comptroller of the Currency; and J. L. Robinson, member of the Federal Reserve Board. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights; and H. R. 4001, to provide for the management and disposition of certain public domain lands in Oklahoma. Testifying in support of the bills were Harold R. Hochmuth, Chief of Lands Division, Bureau of Land Management; James A. Lanigan, Acting Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior; and Irving Senzel, Lands Staff, Bureau of Land Management.

Recessed until next Friday when officials of the National Park Service will discuss the operations and activities of that agency.

LOCAL-SERVICE AIRLINES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed hearings on H. R. 526 and 2225, to grant local-service airlines permanent certificates. Testifying further today was Chan Gurney, Acting Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board. He was accompanied by Emory T. Nunneley, Jr., General Counsel, CAB. Mr. Gurney is scheduled to appear on legislation again tomorrow afternoon.

ICEM—REFUGEE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held an informal meeting with Pierre Jacobsen, Acting Director of the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration, regarding ICEM's activities.

Also considered H. R. 1631 and 3300, to amend the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. Representative Celler (author of H. R. 3300) testified on the proposed legislation.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: The Moulder subcommittee received testimony from witnesses in connection with Communist Party activities in the Fort Wayne (Ind.) area. John T. Gojack, president of district 9, United Electric Workers, and vice president of the international union, was interrogated by Committee Counsel Tavenner. He refused to answer pertinent questions, claiming constitutional immunity under the first amendment, and is scheduled to return to the stand tomorrow morning. Other witnesses at this session were Julie Jacobs, of St. Joseph, Mo., who worked in the UE's district offices at Dayton, Ohio, and Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Lawrence Cover, a union official from Peru, Ind.

It was also disclosed today that David Mates, a UE international representative, who is allegedly evading the committee's process service, will be proceeded against congressionally to assure his production before the committee.

SUBCOMMITTEES

Select Committee on Small Business: Chairman Patman announced the appointment of subcommittees, as follows:

Subcommittee No. 1, Regulatory Agencies—Representatives Evins (chairman), Multer, and McCulloch.

Subcommittee No. 2, Small Business Administration and Problems Related to Procurement, Loans, Disposal—Representatives Multer (chairman), Evins, and Riehlman.

Subcommittee No. 3, Minerals, Raw Materials—Representatives Yates (chairman), Steed, and Sheehan.

Subcommittee No. 4, Aircraft Industry—Representatives Steed (chairman), Roosevelt, and Seely-Brown.

Subcommittee No. 5, Distribution Problems—Representatives Roosevelt (chairman), Steed, and Sheehan.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The committee resumed its hearings into the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, with testimony today from Clyde Ellis, accompanied by Dr. C. L. Cochran and Charles J. Fain, all of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; and from Brice O'Brien and Dr. Ford K. Edwards, both representing the National Coal Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONGRESSIONAL-JUDICIAL SALARY ADJUSTMENT

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a second conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 3828, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress. The conferees agreed to delete from the bill the section allowing $1,250 per annum to Congressmen for expenses reimbursable on a voucher basis, and the section authorizing expenses for Members of Congress to make five additional round trips per year between Washington and the place they represent. The conferees agreed to adopt the language in the Senate bill repealing the $2,500 expense account for Members of Congress.

Tuesday, March 1, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House cleared judicial-congressional pay bill for President.

Senate committees approved bills on extension of corporate and excise taxes, and on Government employees' pay increases.

Bills relating to agricultural conservation payments and FHA mortgage insurance increase cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 2, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The Subcommittee on Agricultural Exports continued its hearings, with a discussion today on exports and consumption of cotton. Witnesses testifying were Robert C. Jackson, executive vice president, and C. T. Murchison, economic adviser, both of American Cotton Manufacturers Institute, Washington, D. C.; Clifford H. Hardy, executive secretary, National Cotton Ginners Association, Bennettsville, S. C.; W. J. Long, Jr., president, Carolinas Ginners Association; and John C. White, counsel, American Cotton Shippers Association. Hearings continue Thursday.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: The Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved the following Air Force acquisition proj-

ects: No. 265, Baltimore, Md.; No. 266, Guadalupe, N. Mex., gunnery range; No. 268, Alamogordo, N. Mex., bombing and gunnery range. Subcommittee also approved a number of classified overseas construction projects.

D. C. PUBLIC UTILITIES

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Business and Commerce Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 184, to make certain changes in the regulation of public utilities in the D. C.

Prior to approval of this bill, hearings were held thereon, with testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Payne, who favored enactment of the bill; Robert E. McLaughlin, Chairman, and Robert M. Weston, member, both of the D. C. Public Utilities Commission, and Lloyd B. Harrison, Assistant Corporation Counsel, D. C., who also favored the bill but with suggested amendments; E. C. Giddings, vice president, Capital Transit Co., who read a statement for CTC President J. A. B. Broadwater favoring section 201 of the bill, which section would give the PUC authority to fix fares for school children up to a maximum of one-half of the cash fare; Joseph A. Kaufman, chairman, public utilities committee, Federation of Citizens Associations, who testified in opposition to section 201 but supported other sections of the bill; and Mrs. Edward B. Morris, president, Randall Highlands Citizens Association, who testified in favor of section 201.

TAXATION

Committee on Finance: The committee, in an afternoon executive session, unanimously ordered reported with an amendment H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates. Prior to approval of this bill, the committee, by a vote of 9 to 6, deleted from the bill provisions for a $20 individual income tax credit.

In a morning open hearing, the committee received testimony favoring the $20 tax credit provision from Leon H. Keyserling, former Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, and Stanley H. Ruttenberg, research director, CIO.

The committee will begin hearings tomorrow on H. R. 1, trade agreements extension.

CONVENTION AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported: (1) The International Telecommunications Convention (Exec. R, 83d Cong., 1st sess.), and (2) the nomination of Julius C. Holmes to be Ambassador to Iran; Laird Bell, of Illinois, Anna L. Rose Hawkes, of Vermont, and Arthur Hollis Edens, of North Carolina, to be members of the U. S. Advisory Commission on Educational Exchange, and 134 routine appointments and promotions in the Foreign Service.

Prior to approval of Executive R, the committee, in open session, heard favoring testimony thereon from J. Paul Barringer, Director, Office of Transport and Communications Policy, and Francis Colt De Wolf, Chief, Telecommunications Policy Staff, both of the State Department.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. Testimony favoring enactment of the bill was heard from Governor Johnson, of Colorado; Ivan Crawford and Allen Mitchum, both of Denver; and Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, Department of the Interior. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings to question further Harvey Matusow, a former Communist who has recanted on some of his previous testimony.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported by vote of 7 to 2, S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government. As approved by the committee, the bill would: (1) Set up a new schedule for GS and CPC employees—gives an average increase of 10 percent; (2) give a 10-percent increase to employees in the Foreign Service and the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in the VA, and authorize agencies that have the authority to establish salaries by administrative action to put into effect similar increases; (3) make the effective date of the bill the first pay period beginning after December 31, 1954 (same as postal pay bill); and (4) give 10-percent increase to legislative and judicial employees, and raise the ceiling allowed court reporters from $6,000 to $6,600.

The committee also approved 153 postmastership nominations.

LEASE PURCHASE PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds, in executive session, approved lease purchase projects at Council Bluffs, Iowa, Green Bay, Wis., Lake Charles, La., and Rock Island, Ill.

Prior to the approval of these projects, the subcommittee heard testimony from Maxwell H. Elliott, General Counsel, and Peter A. Strobel, Commissioner of Public Buildings, both of GSA.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H. R. 4510–4535; 16 private bills, H. R. 4536–4551; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 90 and H. Res. 160–162, were introduced.

Pages 2268, 2273–2274

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 160, open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. J. Res. 202, authorizing $1.5 billion increase in FHA mortgage insurance (H. Rept. 82); and

H. Res. 161, open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments (H. Rept. 83). Page 2273

Gallaudet College: Speaker announced the appointment of Representatives Thornberry and Phillips as members of the board of directors of Gallaudet College.

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Judicial-Congressional Pay: Adopted, by a record vote of 223 yeas to 113 nays, the conference report on H. R. 3828, to increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress, and thereby cleared the bill for Presidential action.

Pages 2262–2265

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:47 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FUNGIBLE COMMODITY SA

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 1831, to amend the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act in order to protect innocent purchasers of fungible goods converted by warehousemen from claims of the Commodity Credit Corporation. Testimony on behalf of the proposal was presented, prior to this action, by Representatives Reed of New York and Pillion; Robert L. Farrington, Solicitor, U. S. Department of Agriculture; H. L. Brinkley, president, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives, Washington, D. C.; Glenn G. Paxton, general counsel, Millers National Federation, Chicago, Ill.; E. W. Morrison, Sr., Morrison Mill & Elevator Co., Denton, Tex.; Dean Webster, chairman, Board of the American Feed Manufacturers Association; R. C. Booth, Piper Grain & Milling Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Al Laybourn, of Simpson, Laybourn, Miller & Stark Grain Co., Salina, Kans.; and Frank Theis, president, Terminal Elevator Grain Merchants Association, Kansas City, Mo.

Statements for the record were filed by Frank Higgins, Frank Higgins Co., Minneapolis Grain Exchange; and a representative of the American Bankers Association, Washington, D. C.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 heard the following witnesses today in connection with H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces—Hugh Milton, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Personnel; Gilbert White, president, Haverford College for the Friends Committee on National Legislation; Dr. Samuel Marble, Wilmington College for Friends Committee; Dr. Paul Deats, of Boston University, for the Greater Boston Area Committee to Oppose UMT; W. E. Lawson, chairman, Technical Manpower Commission for Armed Forces Chemical Association; M. M. Boring, Manpower Commission, Engineers Joint Council; Dr. H. S. Bender, Mennonite Central Committee; Charles F. Boss, Board of World Peace of the Methodist Church; James Gildea, Congress of Industrial Organizations; Mrs. Agnes Waters; and representatives of the following organizations—American Labor Party, Jewish War Veterans, Disabled American Veterans, and United Christian Missionary Society for Disciples of Christ. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 began executive marking up of H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Received favorable testimony today from the following officials of the Independent Bankers Association in connection with H. R. 2674, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies—W. J. Bryan, president; Ben H. Ryan, first vice president; and Harry J. Harding, president, Independent Bankers Association, Twelfth Federal Reserve District; and James S. Peters, president, Bank of Manchester, Ga. Hearings will be continued tomorrow when other association officials are scheduled to testify.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Completed public consideration of H. R. 3253, to amend section 6 of Public Law 874 (81st Cong.) so as to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on Marine Corps installations (re the Quantico Marine Base). Will consider the proposal in executive session tomorrow morning, and also hear committee members on school-construction bills which they have introduced in the 84th Congress, in open session.

FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy met in executive session today with Samuel C. Waugh, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, and Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs.

SALINE WATERS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2126, to amend the act of 1952 relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters.

LOCAL-SERVICE AIRLINES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Chan Gurney, member of the Civil Aeronautics Board, completed his testimony today at the conclusion of the public hearings on H. R. 526 and 2225, to grant local-service airlines permanent certificates. Other witnesses heard at this session were William W. Hogan, treasurer, New York Airways, Inc., New York City; and John G. Ray, Fairchild Engine & Airplane Corp., Washington, D. C. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the administration's health program will be discussed by HEW Secretary Hobby.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met for further executive consideration of amendments to the postal employees' pay bill. Recessed on the proposed changes until tomorrow morning.

CONSERVATION PAYMENTS—FHA INSURANCE

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules providing 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938; and H. J. Res. 202, to increase by $1.5 billion the mortgage insurance authority of the Federal Housing Administration. Representative Hope appeared in connection with H. R. 1573; and Representatives Spence and Wolcott spoke on the FHA mortgage insurance increase bill.

COMMITTEES—HOUSE RULES

Committee on Rules: Completed hearings on H. Res. 139 and 154, authorizing jurisdictional investigations by the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Education and Labor, respectively. Representative Cooley testified regarding the resolution of the Committee on Agriculture, and Representative Barden spoke on behalf of H. Res. 154. Mr. Barden's testimony was endorsed by Representatives Rhodes of Arizona, Smith of Kansas, and Bailey. These proposals will be considered executively tomorrow.

Began hearing on H. Res. 151, to amend the House rules to provide for a code of fair procedure for House committees. Members heard on this proposal were Representatives Doyle, Walter, Willis, and Forrester. This measure will be further considered tomorrow morning, followed by a hearing on H. Res. 99, to amend certain provisions of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives (re televising committee hearings, etc.).

VETERANS' HOSPITAL, FLORIDA

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Hospitals held a hearing on H. R. 1820, to provide for a Veterans' Administration neuropsychiatric hospital of 1,000 beds at Gainesville, Fla. Testimony was presented by the following Members of Congress from Florida—Representatives Matthews, Bennett, Rogers, and Cramer. Also heard officials of the Florida Department of the American Legion; and T. F. Daley for the Veterans' Administration.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: The Moulder subcommittee resumed interrogation of John T. Gojack, president of district 9, United Electric Workers, and vice president of the international union, as hearings were resumed today on alleged Communist Party activities in the Fort Wayne (Ind.) industrial area. The witness, as in yesterday's session, invoked constitutional immunity under the first amendment, for refusal to answer pertinent questions asked by Committee Counsel Tavenner. Following the hearing, the subcommittee voted unanimously to recommend to the full committee that Gojack be cited for contempt of Congress. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 2 (on Government Procurement, Disposal, and Loan Activities) began hearings today with respect to the activities and policies of the Small Business Administration. Wendell B. Barnes, Small Business Administrator, presented an analysis of the agency's functions and programs, and requested favorable action by Congress on proposed legislation to extend the life of the Administration for 2 years. It is scheduled to expire on June 30, 1955. Mr. Barnes was accompanied by W. Norbert Engles, the Deputy Administrator for Financial Assistance. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning when SBA officials are scheduled to continue.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee continued its hearings on the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Adm. E. W. Mills, president, Foster-Wheeler Corp.; Joseph Ehlers, American Society of Civil Engineers; and Ralph E. Fuhrman, Federation of Sewage & Industrial Wastes Associations. Submitting written statements for the record were Harry E. Jordan, American Water Works Association, and Noel S. Chamberlin, Water & Sewage Works Manufacturers Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 5, 1955, through February 28, 1955.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through February 28, 1955

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	23	26	..
Time in session	87 hrs., 21′	74 hrs., 50′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	1,036	868	1,904
Appendix	..	..	1,322
Public bills enacted into law	3	5	8
Private bills enacted into law	..	..	..
Bills in conference	..	2	2
Bills through conference	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	57	85	..
Senate bills	3	1	..
House bills	6	12	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	2	..
House joint resolutions	1	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	2	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	3	3	..
Simple resolutions	39	65	104
Measures reported, total	*75	*73	..
Senate bills	6	1	..
House bills	3	39	..
Senate joint resolutions	4	..	..
House joint resolutions	..	3	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	2	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	3	..	..
Simple resolutions	57	30	87
Special reports	6	6	..
Conference reports	..	2	..
Reported measures not acted on	**2	**32	..
Measures introduced, total	1,384	4,993	6,377
Bills	1,250	4,509	5,759
Joint resolutions	50	236	286
Concurrent resolutions	14	89	103
Simple resolutions	70	159	229
Quorum calls	9	4	13
Yea-and-nay votes	16	12	28
Bills vetoed	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 35 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 81 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through February 28, 1955

Postmaster nominations, totaling 552, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	None
Withdrawn	1
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	551
Army nominations, totaling 1,159, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	988
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	171
Air Force nominations, totaling 1,953, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,953
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Navy nominations, totaling 7,147, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,132
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	15
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 7,936, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,912
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	24
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 641, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	365
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	276

Summary

Total nominations received	19,388
Total withdrawn	1
Total rejected	None
Total unconfirmed	1,037
Total confirmed	18,350

Wednesday, March 2, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House passed bills on agricultural conservation payments and mortgage insurance.

Senate Agriculture Committee reported miscellaneous bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2302–2332

Bills Introduced: 38 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1251–1288; S. J. Res. 51–52; and S. Res. 71. **Pages 2307–2308, 2320**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, with amendments—reported March 1, 1955, pursuant to previous authorization (S. Rept. 36);

S. 941, to authorize the Federal land banks to purchase certain remaining assets of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation (S. Rept. 37);

S. 942, to repeal law providing a revolving fund for purchase of agricultural commodities and raw materials to be processed in occupied areas and sold (S. Rept. 38);

S. 1051, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act regarding fees for registrations and renewals of certificates (S. Rept. 39);

S. 752, to amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from CCC stocks, with an amendment (S. Rept. 40);

S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, with an amendment (and with minority views) (S. Rept. 41); and

S. Res. 57, authorizing Committee on Banking and Currency until January 31, 1956, to expend additional funds of $100,000 to study Federal housing programs (S. Rept. 42)—referred to Committe on Rules and Administration. **Pages 2284, 2307**

Committee Expenditures: By unanimous consent, Senate took from calendar and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration S. Res. 70, authorizing Committee on Public Works, from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to expend not more than $100,000 in holding hearings and making investigations. **Page 2314**

Tributes to Senator Maybank: Numerous addresses were delivered by Senators in tribute to the life, character, and achievements of the late Senator Maybank. **Pages 2284–2302**

Taxation: Authorization was granted for filing by noon Tuesday, March 8, of minority views on H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates. **Pages 2328–2330**

Nominations: Two civilian nominations were received, including that of George W. Perkins, of New York, to be U. S. permanent representative on the Council of NATO, with rank and status of Ambassador. **Page 2332**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:02 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with an amendment S. 752, to amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from CCC stocks; and without amendment S. 72, providing that certain lands acquired by U. S. shall be administered by Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands, S. 153, to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, regarding unexpended or unobligated sums, S. 941, to authorize the Federal land banks to purchase certain remaining assets of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation, S. 942, to repeal law providing a revolving fund for purchase of agricultural commodities and raw materials to be processed in occupied areas and sold, and S. 1051, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act regarding fees for registrations and renewals of certificates.

The committee also approved the nomination of Sam H. Bober, of South Dakota, to be a member of the Federal Farm Credit Board.

The committee also appointed a subcommittee (Senators Humphrey, Scott, and Mundt) to consider S. 494 and related bills to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, dealing with acreage allotments and conservation payments.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Interior Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Interior Department, with testimony from departmental witnesses, as follows:

On funds for Office of Territories—William C. Strand, Director, Office of Territories; Richard B. Lowe, Governor of American Samoa; and William A. Arnold, Assistant Director, Insular Affairs;

On funds for research in the utilization of saline water—David S. Jenkins, Director, Conversion of Saline Water Program; Joseph Strobel, Chemical Engineer; and Dale L. Rothrock, Chief, Fiscal Section;

On funds for Office of the Solicitor—J. Ruel Armstrong, Acting Solicitor, and Edith A. Mahon, Administrative Officer; and

On funds for Commission of Fine Arts—David E. Finley, Chairman, L. R. Wilson, Secretary and Administrative Officer, and Dale L. Rothrock.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: The committee began hearings on H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, with testimony from Earl L. Butz, Assistant Secretary, Agriculture Department, and Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce, both of whom presented the views of the administration in favor of enactment of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs continued its hearings, with testimony from the following witnesses: Wallace J. Campbell, Cooperative League of the U. S. A.; Robert F. Loree, National Foreign Trade Council; Dean Rusk, Rockefeller Foundation; John C. Lynn, American Farm Bureau Federation; and John A. Baker, National Farmers Union. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued its hearings on S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. Testimony favoring the bill was heard from Representatives Thomson of Wyoming, Dawson of Utah, and Dixon; Val Peterson, Federal Civil Defense Administrator; G. D. Clyde, of Utah; David Moffatt, Utah Power & Light Co.; L. R. Patterson, Public Service Co. of Colorado; Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; Charles J. Fain, National Rural Electric Cooperative; John Bliss, New Mexico State engineer; and William Zimmerman, representing Indian associations.

Testifying with regard to the Gooseberry project in Utah were Mayor Welch, of Price, Utah, and a group representing Carbon County, Utah, who opposed this project; and J. S. McAllister, Sanpete County, N. Mex., who favored this project.

Gen. U. S. Grant III testified principally in opposition to the Echo Park project, Colorado-Utah.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings to question Harvey Matusow, a former Communist who has recanted on some of his previous testimony. The witness was asked to comment on a list of 244 persons whom he has connected with the Communist Party in some of his previous testimony before congressional committees. Mr. Matusow stated that his attorney was selected by Nathan Witt, counsel, International Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers. The witness was also examined with regard to his efforts in procuring money for the printing of his book, False Witness.

The subcommittee will continue its hearings on Saturday, March 5.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act to authorize appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, and S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the national system of interstate highways, and to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act. Testimony favoring enactment of S. 1160 was heard from Gov. Robert J. Kennon, of Louisiana, chairman of Governors' Conference, and Gov. Walter J. Kohler, of Wisconsin, chairman of special committee on highways of Governors' Conference. Gov. Edwin C. Johnson, of Colorado, urged enactment of S. 1048, or an expanded program under the existing law. Hearings continue Friday, March 4.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 35 public bills, H. R. 4552–4586; 26 private bills, H. R. 4587–4612; and 9 resolutions, H. J. Res. 237–241, H. Con. Res. 91, and H. Res. 163–165, were introduced. **Pages 2337, 2354–2356**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 84); and

H. R. 249, relating to the regulation of nets in Alaska waters, amended (H. Rept. 85). **Page 2354**

Congressional Retirement: Adopted H. Res. 163, providing for employment of a retirement expert in the Disbursing Office of the House of Representatives. **Page 2337**

FHA Mortgage Insurance: Passed by a voice vote S. J. Res. 42, providing $1.5 billion increase in FHA mortgage insurance authorization, in lieu of H. J. Res. 202, a similar resolution. This action clears the legisla-

tion for the President. H. Res. 160, the rule for the consideration of the resolution, was adopted earlier.

Pages 2334, 2337–2342

Agriculture: By a voice vote, the House passed H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments. H. Res. 161, providing for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted previously.

Pages 2334–2337, 2342–2348

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:09 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed hearings on H. R. 12, and similar bills, to reestablish 90 percent of parity price supports for basic commodities. Officials of the Department of Agriculture testified at the session, speaking in opposition to the proposal. They were also interrogated relative to the dairy situation and were requested to furnish recommendations on this topic which the Department has not as yet proposed. Today's witnesses were True D. Morse, Under Secretary of Agriculture; R. P. Beach, Assistant Deputy Administrator and Budget Officer, Commodity Stabilization Service; and Walter C. Berger, Associate Administrator, Commodity Stabilization Service.

Chairman Cooley announced that hearings are scheduled to be concluded Friday morning, when Carl Wilken, economic adviser, will testify. He added that Members of Congress who desire to testify on the subject may also be heard.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 continued public hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Testimony was received today from the following witnesses—Seaborn P. Collins, national commander of the American Legion; Dr. Ernest H. Volwiler, chairman of board of directors, American Chemical Society; Paul E. Weaver, Indiana Council of Churches; Rev. Robert E. Vandeusen, board of social missions of the United Lutheran Church of America; Max M. Kleinbaum, vice chairman, Jewish Peace Fellowship; and representatives from Wayne County Informal Citizens Group, Universalist Service Committee, United Christian Youth Movement, and Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2, in executive session, continued executive marking up H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Special Investigations in executive session today discussed agenda and approved sundry reports.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Officials of the Independent Bankers Association testified again today in support of H. R. 2674, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies. Witnesses heard were D. Emmert Brumbaugh, director, and W. L. Gregory, chairman of its legislative committee. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis subcommittee resumed consideration of H. R. 3753, to set aside the action of the D. C. Commissioners on August 30, 1954, rescinding their exception of the Fire Fighting Division of the Fire Department pertaining to nondiscrimination. D. C. Fire Chief Millard H. Sutton discussed the bill and was interrogated by the subcommittee regarding the program of integration throughout the Department. Other officers and members of the Department also presented testimony. Adjourned subject to call of Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Considered, in executive session, H. R. 3253, to amend section 6 of Public Law 874 (81st Cong.) so as to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on Marine Corps installations. Announced appointment of a subcommittee to study possible prevention of proposed transfer of the on-base school students at Quantico, Va., to a Washington high school by the board of education. This group will be composed of Representatives Barden (chairman), Bailey, Metcalf, Holt, and Frelinghuysen.

In open session Representatives Bailey and Kearns, authors of H. R. 14 and 15, respectively, discussed their bills which would authorize Federal payments to the States to assist in constructing schools. They are scheduled to continue their testimony tomorrow morning.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in open session to further consider the draft Foreign Service bill, and heard the following witnesses—Loy Henderson, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration, and George F. Wilson, Assistant Controller of Personnel, Department of State. These witnesses are scheduled to resume testimony tomorrow morning.

FAR EAST-PACIFIC

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on Far East and Pacific met for executive discussion with Maj. Gen. William A. Worton, U. S. Marine Corps (retired). Will meet tomorrow afternoon with representatives of the State Department.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: The Special Subcommittee on Donable Property held further executive consideration of H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. Recessed on the subject until Friday afternoon.

FEDERAL CATALOGING

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Military Operations began hearings on identification and conversion phases of the Federal Catalog Program. Representatives of the Department of Defense and Department of the Army testified at today's session. Recessed until tomorrow morning when departmental officials are scheduled to continue testimony.

ALASKA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Territories approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 3990, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska; H. R. 3338, amended, to extend Alaska Railroad leases to 55 years instead of 20 years; and H. R. 4046, to abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument, Alaska. Testifying in favor of H. R. 3990 were Fred G. Aandahl, Assistant Secretary; R. W. Jennings, regional director, region 5, Bureau of Reclamation; and P. H. Whitmer, Solicitor's Office, Department of Interior. Speaking in support of H. R. 3338 was George Milner, Alaska assistant, Office of Territories, Department of Interior; and on H. R. 4046 was Jackson Price, Chief of the Lands Division, National Park Service.

Ralph C. Bedell, Secretary-General of the South Pacific Commission, was introduced to the subcommittee during today's session.

HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, today discussed the President's special health message to Congress, delivered on January 31. In developing the various proposals which comprise the health program, Secretary Hobby presented the highlights of H. R. 3458 and 3720, identical omnibus measures which group together some of the principal proposals of the President's message. A detailed description of the titles of these bills, however, was not furnished. Roswell Perkins, Assistant Secretary of HEW, also appeared. Several charts, used to illustrate the development of the proposed health program, were explained by Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General, Public Health Service. Other PHS officials at this session were Dr. Chester S. Keefer, Special Assistant for Health and Medical Affairs; and Dr. John W. Cronin, Chief, Division of Hospital Facilities.

It was announced today that public hearings would be conducted March 8, 9, and 10 on title VI of H. R. 3458 and on H. J. Res. 230, relating to mental health.

COURT ORGANIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 began hearings on court organization bills and heard the following authors of pending measures on the subject—Representatives Deane (H. R. 3559); Hoeven (H. R. 2977); Phillips (H. R. 287); Colmer (H. R. 1778); Williams of Mississippi (H. R. 1858); Hillings (H. R. 671); Hope (H. R. 111); Shelley (H. R. 2996); Avery (H. R. 111); and Wilson of California (H. R. 498). Testimony on H. R. 3559 was also received from Judge Walter F. Bruchhauser, U. S. District Court, Eastern District of New York; and Judge Vincent L. Leibell, U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York. A statement for the record was submitted by Representative Utt, author of H. R. 493. Subcommittee adjourned until tomorrow morning when it will resume on the subject.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 in executive session ordered favorably reported to the full committee 19 private immigration bills of the House, and ordered adversely reported 13 private immigration bills of the House. Also heard testimony from authors of several private immigration bills.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 in executive session ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3560, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Also ordered favorably reported to the full committee 16 private claim bills of the House.

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Discussed functions, activities, and proposed future program of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior. Members of the Service meeting with the committee were John L. Farley, Director, and Albert M. Day, Assistant to the Director. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Resumed executive consideration of postal workers' pay legislation. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

HIGHWAYS

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Roads held executive meeting to discuss the general national highway program.

HOUSE RULES

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Keating in connection with H. Res. 151, to amend the House rules to provide for a code of fair procedure for House committees. Also considered H. Res. 99, to amend provisions of House rule XI relating to televising of hearings, etc. Testimony was received from Representatives Meader (author of the measure), Brownson, and Jackson. Recessed on the proposal until tomorrow morning.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 2 (on Government Procurement, Disposal, and Loan Activities) continued hearings today with respect to the activities and policies of the Small Business Administration. Wendell B. Barnes, Small Business Administrator, concluded his analysis of the agency's functions and programs, and requested favorable action by Congress on proposed legislation to extend the life of the Administration for 2 years. It is scheduled to expire on June 30, 1955. Following interrogation of Mr. Barnes regarding his statement, the subcommittee heard Donald A. Hipkins, Deputy Administrator for Procurement and Technical Assistance, SBA; and members of the Atomic Energy Commission, as follows—George C. Taylor, Assistant Director for Supplies; John A. Derry, Director of Division of Construction and Supply; and Phillip G. Read, small business specialist. Recessed until tomorrow morning when departmental witnesses will resume testimony.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing its hearings on the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, the committee today heard Leland Olds, Public Affairs Institute, testify with regard to those provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, relating to the Federal power policies. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Thursday, March 3, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate Banking Committee began hearings on stock market study.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, March 4, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The Subcommittee on Agricultural Exports heard the following witnesses: Walter L. Randolph, vice president, and John C. Lynn, legislative director, both of American Farm Bureau Federation; John A. Baker, assistant to president, National Farmers Union; Charles M. Hohenberg, president, American Cotton Shippers Association, Selma, Ala.; and S. Y. West, Memphis Cotton Exchange. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Interior Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Interior Department, with testimony from departmental witnesses, as follows:

On funds for enforcement of the Connally Hot Oil Act and for Oil and Gas Division—Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources, H. A. Stewart, Director, Oil and Gas Division, and Dale L. Rothrock, Chief, Fiscal Section; and

On funds for Office of Minerals Mobilization—Felix E. Wormser, John G. Liebert, Special Assistant to Assistant Secretary, and Dale L. Rothrock.

Hearings continue tomorrow on Geological Survey items.

NOMINATION AND MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Chester A. Davis, of Illinois, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army, and an original resolution authorizing funds of $160,000 for investigative purposes for the period April 1, 1955, through January 31, 1956.

In open session, the committee ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 829, authorizing Armed Forces personnel to participate in certain international amateur sports competitions, and without amendment

S. 804, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 regarding advance payments to members of uniformed services, and S. 802, to amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act regarding removal of requirement for final physical examination.

Prior to approval of the above-mentioned nomination and bills, testimony was heard, as follows: (1) Senator Dirksen and Secretary of the Army Stevens, who appeared on behalf of Mr. Davis; (2) Col. Blake Miller, Office of Secretary of Defense, who testified regarding S. 829; (3) Lt. Col. G. E. Brenneman, Office of the Army Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1, who appeared to explain the provisions of S. 804; and (4) Lt. Col. David M. Ramsey, Office of the Army Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1, who presented testimony concerning S. 802.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Civil Defense Subcommittee heard continued testimony from Federal Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson with regard to the overall civil defense program. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee began its hearings on study of the stock market, with testimony today from G. Keith Funston, president, New York Stock Exchange, New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. EMPLOYEES AND VENDORS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs held and concluded hearings, with testimony as indicated, on the following two bills:

On S. 391, to provide for the bonding of certain officers and employees of the D. C. government—with favoring testimony from Walter L. Fowler, D. C. budget officer, and Roland F. Brennan, D. C. procurement officer; also favoring the bill but with suggested amendments were Robert F. Kneipp, Assistant Corporation Counsel, D. C., and Howard M. Starling, Association of Casualty & Surety Companies; and appearing to explain the provisions of the bill was Albert F. Jordan, Superintendent, D. C. Department of Insurance; and

On S. 1179, to amend the D. C. Sales Tax Act and D. C. Use Tax Act regarding tax on vendors—with testimony favoring its enactment from Aaron Goldman, president, and J. Fay Hall, Jr., counsel, both of G. B. Macke Corp.; Melvin G. Keehler, assistant general manager, Washington Society for the Blind; John C. Mundell, manager, tax department of the Canteen Co.; Lawrence Taylor, manager, snack bar at Library of Congress; and William Phillips, operator of concession at GAO; and testifying in opposition to the bill were Vernon E. West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; James L. Martin, D. C. finance officer; and Walter Thompson, Assistant Administrator, Sales Tax Division, D. C.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, the committee heard testimony today from Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey, Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, and Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, all of whom favored enactment of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on technical assistance programs, with testimony today from the following witnesses: J. T. Duce, Arabian-American Oil Co.; Henry Ford II, president, Ford Motor Co.; Byron Larabee, vice president, Firestone Tire & Rubber Co.; Ralph E. Smiley of the management-consultant firm of Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Chicago; John S. Badeau, president, Near East Foundation; and Don K. Price, vice president, the Ford Foundation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION—COMPTROLLER GENERAL

Committee on Government Operations: Committee resumed hearings on the nomination of Joseph Campbell to be Comptroller General of the U. S., with testimony in opposition to the nomination from Senator Gore.

Mr. Campbell was present to answer questions of the committee on his own behalf.

Committee recessed subject to call.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. Testimony in opposition to the bill was heard from the following four witnesses: Samuel B. Morris, member, Colorado River Board, and general manager and chief engineer, Department of Water and Power, Los Angeles; Gilmore Tillman, chief assistant city attorney for water and power, city of Los Angeles; James H. Howard, general counsel, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, accompanied by C. C. Elder, hydrological engineer of the District; and Richard C. Bradley, Cornell University, whose testimony was principally in opposition to the Echo Park Dam project, Colorado-Utah. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION—SUPREME COURT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee met in executive session to consider the nomination of John Marshall Harlan to be an Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, but took no action and announced that it would meet again on Wednesday, March 9, to vote on this nomination.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H. R. 4613–4630; 13 private bills, H. R. 4631–4643; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 242–245, H. Con. Res. 92, and H. Res. 166 and 167, were introduced. Pages 2375–2376

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 100, permitting the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development, amended (H. Rept. 86);

H. R. 780, invoking the aid of courts in compelling testimony of congressional witnesses (H. Rept. 87); and

H. R. 2535, enabling the people of Hawaii and Alaska each to form a constitution and State government and to be admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the original States, amended (H. Rept. 88).

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Order of Business: The call of the Consent Calendar, in order on March 7, and Calendar Wednesday business, in order on March 9, were both dispensed with pursuant to unanimous-consent requests. The Consent Calendar will be called on Tuesday, March 15, along with the Private Calendar. Page 2374

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:21 p. m.

Committee Meetings

TOBACCO

Committee on Agriculture: The Abbitt subcommittee discussed tobacco legislation today with James A. McConnell, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, along with the following officials of the Commodity Stabilization Service—Earl M. Hughes, Administrator; Clarence L. Miller, Director, Tobacco Division; Richard B. Bridgforth, Assistant Deputy Administrator for Production Adjustment; Joseph R. Williams, Deputy Director, Tobacco Division; Joseph J. Todd, Chief, Production Programs Branch, Tobacco Division; two officials from the Tobacco Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service: Stephen E. Wrather, Director, and Claude G. Turner, Deputy Director; and Wear K. Schoonover, attorney adviser, Production and Adjustment Division, Office of the Solicitor.

Five changes in legislation were recommended by the Department, as follows—

(1) Amend the act to permit redetermination of the 1955 national marketing quota and State and farm acreage allotments for burley tobacco on the basis of data now available.

(2) The rate of penalty on the marketing of excess tobacco be increased from 50 to 75 percent of the average market price during the previous year.

(3) Amend the act to provide that any acreage of tobacco harvested in excess of the allotted acreage for any farm for any year shall not be considered in the establishment of the allotment for the farm in succeeding years.

(4) Amend the act to require a reduction in the acreage allotment next established for a farm if any person connected with the farm causes, aids, or acquiesces in filing or causing to be filed any report with respect to the acreage of tobacco grown on the farm which the county committee determines to be false.

(5) Amend the act to eliminate the provision whereby growers may vote for quotas either for 3 years or 1 year and provide for voting only on the question of quotas for 3 years. This proposal does not apply to burley tobacco where growers always approve quotas for 3-year periods.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Public hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces, were continued today by Subcommittee No. 1. Witnesses testifying were James H. Straubel, executive director, Air Force Association; A. A. Hauck, president, University of Maine, who spoke for the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities; Paul H. Robbins, National Society of Professional Engineers; Edmund Claxton, director of research, Armstrong Cork Co., Lancaster, Pa., accompanied by Dr. Donald R. Keyes, consultant for research committee, National Association of Manufacturers; William Foster, Manufacturing Chemists Association; Richard Thompson, National Conference of Methodist Youth; the president and secretary of the National American Legion Auxiliary; and representatives of the Naval Reserve Association, American Veterans of World War II, National Association of Secondary-School Principals, National Council Against Conscription, and National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Hearings were recessed until tomorrow.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 resumed executive marking up of H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances. Recessed on the bill until tomorrow.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Opposition to H. R. 2674, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies, was presented today by the following witnesses—James S. Bush, vice president and director, General Contract Corp., St. Louis, Mo., and Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., president and chairman of the board, Transamerica Corp. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Representatives Bailey and Kearns, authors of H. R. 14 and 15,

respectively, continued discussion of their bills which would authorize Federal payments to the States to assist in constructing schools. Committee recessed until next Tuesday.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued consideration of the draft Foreign Service bill, meeting again with Loy Henderson, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration, and George F. Wilson, Assistant Controller of Personnel, Department of State. Recessed until Tuesday morning.

FAR EAST-PACIFIC

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on Far East and Pacific met in executive session this afternoon with the following officials of the Department of State—William J. Sebald, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Far Eastern Affairs; Walter P. McConaughy, Director, Office of Chinese Affairs; and Henry B. Day, Acting Director, Office of Philippine and Southeast Asian Affairs.

FEDERAL CATALOGING

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Military Operations heard further hearings on identification and conversion phases of the Federal Catalog Program. Representatives of the Departments of the Army, Navy, and Air Force testified at today's session. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3123, amended, to repeal the provision of the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act of 1935, which requires recoupment of certain public funds spent for school construction; and H. R. 4367, to provide for the distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians. Representative Metcalf, author of H. R. 3123, explained its purposes. A similar bill (H. R. 4172) was ordered tabled. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and Louis Sigler, Office of Solicitor (Interior), spoke in favor of H. R. 3123, with amendments, and answered questions on H. R. 4172. The same officials testified on H. R. 2862, to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes requiring the grant of long-term leases. They suggested amendments to this bill, on which no action was taken. William Zimmerman, Association of American Indian Affairs, testified in favor of H. R. 2862.

The subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2681, providing for the leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands in the State of Arizona for certain purposes, and heard Arthur Lazarus, attorney for Blackfeet Tribe of Montana, the Hualapai Tribe of Arizona, and the San Carlos Apache Tribe of Arizona. He also spoke in support of H. R. 2862.

Commissioner Lee was heard on behalf of H. R. 4367, which was approved. Another witness on this bill was Paul M. Niebell, attorney for Creek Nation of Indians.

COAST GUARD CONTRACTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 3885, to authorize the waiving of the requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts.

In public hearing on the bill the following witnesses were heard—Comdr. James A. Hyslop, Chief of the Supply Division, U. S. Coast Guard; Charles Goodwin, counsel, Bureau of Yards and Docks, Department of the Navy; Ralph P. Dunn, Civilian Deputy Chief, Procurement Policy Division, USAF Headquarters; Howard J. Chapman, acting supervising engineer, Public Buildings Service, GSA; and John H. Martini (GAO), legislative attorney, Office of the Comptroller General.

COURT ORGANIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 continued hearings on H. R. 3559 to provide for the appointment of additional judges and other bills relating to court organization. The following witnesses testified—Representatives Walter, Miller of California, Allen of California, Baldwin, and Willis; William Kirkpatrick, Chief Judge, U. S. District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Charles E. Clark, Chief Judge, Second Judicial Circuit; John J. Biggs, Jr., Chief Judge, Third Judicial Circuit; Edward Arkin, Bronx County Bar Association; Claude I. Depew, president, Bar Association of the State of Kansas; Sherwood Roberts and Ferdinand T. Fletcher, of the San Diego County Bar Association; Gordon West, Baton Rouge Bar Association; Welch Gordon, L. P. McLendan, and Armstead Sapp, of Greensboro, North Carolina, Bar Association; Gardner Hudson, Winston-Salem Bar Association; William Denman, Chief Judge, Ninth Judicial Circuit; and Will Shaffroth, Administrative Office, U. S. Courts.

Statements for the record were filed by Representatives Dingell and Ashley. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued discussions with officials of the Fish and Wildlife Service (Interior) relative to the functions, activities, and proposed future program of the agency. Meeting with the committee were Ernest Swift, Assistant Director; Dr. Joseph P. Linduska, Chief, Branch of Game Management; John L. Farley, Director; and J. Clark Salyer, Chief, Branch of Wildlife Refuges. Recessed on the subject until next Tuesday morning.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' PAY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Resumed executive consideration of postal workers' pay legislation. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session with representatives of the General Services Administration on Post Office Department to discuss public building program.

INVESTIGATIONS AND PROCEDURE

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 61, to amend the Rules of the House in respect to investigative procedure; H. Res. 99, to amend provisions of House Rule XI relative to televising of hearings, etc.; and H. Res. 151, to amend the House Rules to provide for a code of fair procedure for House committees. Representative Jackson discussed the general subject of code and procedure; Representative Doyle spoke on his own measure, H. Res. 151; and Representative Scott testified on all three resolutions.

COMPENSATION—PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Dorn subcommittee held an executive session for organizational purposes. It was agreed that hearings would start March 22 on the following bills: H. R. 711, 712, 732, 733, 735, 1614, 2207, 3805, 3806, 4490, miscellaneous compensation and pension bills.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 2 (on Government Procurement, Disposal, and Loan Activities) continued hearings today and met with the following departmental witnesses—John Hamlin, Small Business Adviser to the Secretary of Defense for Supplies and Logistics; Laurence B. Robbins, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; and Lothair Teetor, Assistant Secretary of Commerce. Recessed on the study until next Tuesday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY INDUSTRY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing its hearings on the development, growth, and state of the atomic energy industry, the committee today heard testimony from Francis K. McCune, vice president and general manager of the Atomic Products Division, General Electric Co. Mr. McCune gave the committee a synopsis of the principal problems faced by the atomic energy industry.

Friday, March 4, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bill on replacement of exported agricultural stocks.
Bill to increase postal employees' salaries approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2382–2416

Bills Introduced: 36 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1289–1324; S. J. Res. 53; S. Con. Res. 15; and S. Res. 72. **Pages 2387–2388, 2402–2403**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 72, providing that certain lands acquired by U. S. shall be administered by Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands (S. Rept. 43);

S. 829, authorizing Armed Forces personnel to participate in certain international amateur sports competitions, with amendments (S. Rept. 44);

S. 804, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 regarding advance payments to members of uniformed services (S. Rept. 45);

S. 802, to amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act regarding removal of requirement for final physical examination (S. Rept. 46); and

S. Res. 72, authorizing expenditure by Committee on Armed Services until January 31, 1956, of not more than $160,000 for employment of temporary investigators, technical, clerical, and other assistants (without written report). **Page 2387**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 2381**

President's Message—Renegotiation: Senate received message from President recommending 2-year extension until December 31, 1956, of the Renegotiation Act of 1951, as amended—referred to Committee on Finance. **Pages 2380–2381**

Stock Market Study: Committee on Banking and Currency was authorized to hold hearings on stock market study during next 2 weeks at times when Senate is in session. **Page 2381**

Agricultural Stocks Replacement: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 752, to amend Agricultural

Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from CCC stocks. Pages 2416, 2420–2421

Treaty Reported: International Telecommunication Convention, with annexes and final protocol, signed at Buenos Aires on December 22, 1952, by U. S. and other countries represented at International Telecommunication Conference at Buenos Aires, 1952 (Ex. R, 83d Cong., 1st sess.), was reported with two understandings (Ex. Rept. 5). Page 2387

Nominations: Five civilian nominations were received, including those of John Stephens Wood, of Georgia, to be a member of the Subversive Activities Control Board, and of Clarence G. Morse, of California, to be a member of the Federal Maritime Board. Page 2422

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:01 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: The Agricultural Exports Subcommittee continued its hearings, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Homer L. Brinkley, vice president, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; Reed Dunn, director, foreign trade, National Cotton Council; Alan Patteson, chairman, Mid-South Cotton Producers Committee, Jonesboro, Ark.; Charles Sayre, chairman, executive committee, Mississippi Delta Council, Scott, Miss.; Harvey P. Grant, Jr., secretary-manager, Louisiana Delta Council, Delhi, La.; Harvey Adams, secretary-manager, Agricultural Council of Arkansas, West Memphis, Ark.; J. T. Haynes, manager, Tennessee Cotton Producers Association, and also representing the Tennessee Ginners Association, Brownsville, Tenn.; Hilton L. Bracy, executive vice president, Missouri Cotton Producers Association, Portageville, Mo.; and S. Y. West, and J. W. Ramsay, first vice president, both of Memphis Cotton Exchange. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: The Interior Subcommittee continued its hearings on Interior Department budget estimates for fiscal year 1956, with testimony today in behalf of funds for the Geological Survey from Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary of Interior for Mineral Resources, and Thomas B. Nolan, Assistant Director, Geological Survey. Hearings continue Tuesday, March 8.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: The Civil Defense Subcommittee heard continued testimony on the operations and policies of the Federal Civil Defense Administration from Administrator Val Peterson. Also testifying were Col. Barnet W. Beers, Defense Department, and Fred E. Schnepfe, Assistant to the Commissioner, Bureau of Public Roads, Commerce Department. Subcommittee will meet again Tuesday, March 8.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the study of the stock market, committee heard testimony today from Edward T. McCormick, president, American Stock Exchange, New York. Hearings continue Monday, March 7.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, the committee heard testimony today from James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer, CIO; Morris S. Rosenthal, National Council of American Importers, Inc.; Herschel D. Newsom, National Grange; William S. Bennet, Bennet, House & Couts, New York; John C. Lynn, legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; and John A. Baker, assistant to president, National Farmers Union. Hearings continue Monday, March 7.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs continued its hearings, with testimony from the following witnesses: Bernard Weitzer, Jewish War Veterans of the U. S.; Maurice Goldberg, B'nai B'rith; Charles Henry Lee, New York; Andrew E. Rice, executive director, AVC; E. Raymond Wilson, Friends Committee on National Legislation; and Michael Straight, ADA.

In an afternoon executive session, the subcommittee heard testimony from Milton Eisenhower, president, Pennsylvania State College.

Today's session concluded the current series of the subcommittee's hearings.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued its hearings on S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. Testimony in opposition to the proposed legislation was heard from Benjamin G. Griffith, president, Board of Water and Power, Los Angeles; Raymond Matthew, chief engineer, and Northcutt Ely, special counsel, accompanied by Robert McCarty, associate, all of the Colorado River Board; and Evan T. Hewes, member, Colorado River Board, and president of Imperial Irrigation District. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDICIAL DISTRICTS IN CALIFORNIA

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Improvements in Judicial Machinery held hearings on the following two bills:

S. 864, to provide a new third division of the northern judicial district of California—with testimony favoring

its enactment from Senator Kuchel, Senator Knowland (who submitted a statement for the record), Representative Miller of California, and Gilbert D. Calden, chairman, committee on Federal courts, Alameda Bar Association; and

S. 927, to provide that Imperial and San Diego Counties shall constitute a new judicial district to be known as the southern district of California, and to redesignate the present southern district as the central district of California—with favoring testimony from Senator Kuchel, Senator Knowland (who submitted a statement for the record), Sherwood Roberts, attorney from La Jolla, Calif., and Ferdinand T. Fletcher and J. A. Connelly, both attorneys of San Diego. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee (Senators McClellan, chairman, Eastland, and Welker) approved for reporting to the full committee the nomination of Ben F. Cameron, of Mississippi, to be a U. S. circuit judge for the fifth circuit. Prior to his approval, testimony on his behalf was heard from Senators Stennis and Eastland, and Perry W. Howard, Republican National Committee for the State of Mississippi. Mr. Cameron appeared on his own behalf.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, with testimony today from C. A. Stoldt, director, Oklahoma State Department of Highways, who testified generally in favor of enactment of S. 1160. The witness was accompanied by J. I. Goins, chairman, and Leroy Powers, attorney, both of the State Highway Commission, Okla.

Hearings continue Thursday, March 10.

ANNUAL REPORT AND COMMITTEE AGENDA

Select Committee on Small Business: The committee met in executive session and approved its annual report for submission to the Senate. The committee also discussed and approved a 19-point agenda covering the activities of the full committee and its subcommittees for the coming months.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, March 7, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Concluded hearings on H. R. 12, to reestablish 90 percent of parity price supports for basic commodities. Testimony was received from Representatives Burdick and Krueger; Dr. Carl Wilken, economic adviser; and Fred Crawford, former Member of Congress from Michigan. Other Members of the House, who were unable to appear at today's session, filed statements on the subject for the record. Committee will consider the proposed legislation in executive session next Tuesday morning.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Witnesses heard by Subcommittee No. 1 at today's hearing on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening the Reserve Forces, were William Foster, Manufacturing Chemists Association; Gov. Val Peterson, Administrator, Federal Civil Defense Administration; Tom Reed, Director of Public and Civic Affairs, Ford Motor Co., speaking for Chamber of Commerce of U. S. A.; Col. Franklin Iszard, Elmira, N. Y.; Rev. William J. Cook, Board of Social and Economic Relations, New England Conference of the Methodist Church; David Whatley, attorney, Washington, D. C.; and representatives from the Veterans of Foreign Wars; American Federation of Labor; Army and Navy Union; and National Council of Churches. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee, as amended, H. R. 2607, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 2674, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies. Testimony was received today from E. O. Jenkins, president, First Bank Stock Corp., Minneapolis, Minn., and J. V. Norman, Jr., executive vice president, Kentucky Trust Co. A statement for the record was submitted by Senator Watkins, of Utah. Recessed until Monday morning.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Donable Property approved for reporting to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Public Lands met with National Park Service officials for presentation of the agency's operations and proposed program. Conrad L. Wirth, Director, delivered departmental statement and answered questions. Other witnesses were John Doerr, Chief Naturalist; and Herbert Kahler, Chief Historian. An illustrated story was presented, via slides, of natural scenic features and historic shrines of the national park system. Adjourned subject to call of Chair.

SPECIAL DAYS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. J. Res. 184, providing for the recognition of May 1, 1955, as Loyalty Day.

In public hearings on various Special Day bills the subcommittee heard the following authors—Representatives Hand (H. J. Res. 108 and H. Con. Res. 55); Church (H. J. Res. 137); Flood (H. R. 4121); McDonough (H. J. Res. 61); and Van Zandt (H. J. Res. 184). Omar Ketchum, legislative director, Veterans of Foreign Wars, also testified on H. J. Res. 184.

Statements for the record were submitted by the following authors—Representatives McDonough (H. J. Res. 61); Flood (H. R. 4121); Rodino (H. R. 577 and H. J. Res. 169); Wickersham (H. J. Res. 91 and H. J. Res. 92); Horan (H. J. Res. 109); Scott (H. J. Res. 83); Dondero (H. J. Res. 35); and Barrett (H. R. 2371).

COURT REORGANIZATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 concluded hearings on H. R. 3559, to provide for the appointment of additional judges, and other bills relating to court organization. Today's witnesses were Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, and Hazard Gillespie, Association of the Bar of New York and New York State Bar Association. A statement for the record was filed by Representative Anfuso.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' SALARIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Approved a bill today raising postal employees salaries an average of 7.5 percent including reclassification provisions requested by the President. The bill as recommended by the administration was approved by the committee with a number of amendments.

The major change in the bill is to provide a 21-level salary schedule as compared to a 20-level salary schedule contained in the bill. This was accomplished by creating an additional salary level above level 4. All other salary levels remain the same as they are in the bill. Those above level 5 are merely renumbered. Clerks and carriers and motor-vehicle operators will be placed in a new salary level.

The committee provided a conversion formula for postal employees moving into the new salary schedule. This formula provides for increasing employees' present rates by 6 percent and then simultaneously placing them into an appropriate rate within the new salary schedule. The increases, including the reclassification, will be effective at the beginning of the first pay period following enactment.

The committee also approved an amendment which would increase the authorized per diem allowance for postal transportation employees from $6 to $9 per day.

Total estimated increase cost of the bill is $150 million.

Monday, March 7, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House received Presidential message requesting extension of Renegotiation Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

COTTON ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Cotton Acreage Allotments continued its hearings on a draft of a proposed bill to allocate an additional 3 percent of the national cotton acreage allotments for 1955. Testimony was heard today from Senators Goldwater, Anderson, and Bible; Representatives Abernethy, Hagen, and Gathings; and W. L. Smith, member, board of directors, Western Cotton Growers Association, Buttonwillow, Calif.

On Saturday, March 5, the subcommittee heard testimony on this subject from Senators Stennis, Hayden, Malone, and Kuchel; James A. McConnell, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; F. Marion Rhodes, Director, and E. D. Bell, Deputy Director, both of the Cotton Division, Commodity Stabilization Service, Agriculture

Department; Walter L. Randolph, vice president, American Farm Bureau Federation, Montgomery, Ala.; and John A. Baker, assistant to the president, National Farmers Union.

The full committee will meet tomorrow to consider this draft bill.

STOCKPILING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on National Stockpile and Naval Petroleum Reserves met in executive session with ODM Director Arthur Flemming and other representatives of the Office of Defense Mobilization to discuss matters pertaining to stockpiling, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee continued its hearings on the study of the stock market, with testimony today from James E. Day, president, Mid-West Stock Exchange, who discussed and answered questions with regard to the function of a regional exchange; and Ronald E. Kaehler, president, San Francisco Stock Exchange, whose testimony dealt mainly with the relationship between the San Francisco Stock Exchange and the New York Stock Exchange, the proper function of a regional exchange, and the way in which statements made in New York after the close of the New York market affect the stocks also listed on the San Francisco exchange.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, with testimony today from Senator Payne; Representative Dorn of South Carolina; O. R. Strackbein, chairman, the Nationwide Committee of Industry, Agriculture, and Labor on Import-Export Policy; Howard I. Young, American Mining Congress; Charles B. J. Molitor, American Lace Manufacturers Association, Inc.; John M. Malkin, executive director Schiffli Lace & Embroidery Manufacturers Association, Inc.; George J. Burger, vice president, National Federation of Independent Business; Marx Lewis, general secretary-treasurer, United Hatters, Cap, and Millinery Workers International Union; Richard A. Tilden, general counsel, Clothespin Manufacturers of America; and E. T. Carmody, Clock Manufacturers Association of America. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Saturday, March 5, the Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation concluded hearings on S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. Testimony in opposition to enactment of this bill was heard from the following witnesses: Joseph W. Penfold, Isaak Walton League; David R. Brower, Sierra Club; Sigurd Olson, Fred Packard, and Charles Eggert, director of motion pictures, all of National Parks Association; C. R. Gutermuth, Wildlife Management Association; Spencer Smith, Forest Conservation Society; Howard Zahniser, Wilderness Society; and James Howard, general counsel, Metropolitan Water District.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Internal Security had as its witness today Albert E. Kahn, a publisher of New York City. The witness was questioned in detail about his knowledge of Harvey Matusow, and the publishing of Mr. Matusow's book, False Witness. Mr. Kahn refused, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), to answer questions of the subcommittee as to his past or present membership in the Communist Party.

The subcommittee will meet again tomorrow to resume the questioning of this witness.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee began hearings to investigate the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries. Witnesses heard today were Senator Welker; Walter Thurmond, secretary, Southern Coal Producers Association; Otto Herres, chairman, National Lead and Zinc Committee, and president, Utah Mining Association; and Lester Thomas, international representative, UMW. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE PLANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Welfare and Pension Plans voted to commence preliminary public hearings on employee welfare plans on March 21, 1955.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following resolutions:

Without amendment—S. Res. 61, authorizing expenditure of $250,000 by Committee on the Judiciary for a study of the antitrust laws of the U. S. and their administration, interpretation, and effect; S. Res. 66, authorizing expenditure of $102,000 by Committee on the Judiciary in holding hearings and making investigations (immigration and naturalization); S. Res. 67, authorizing expenditure of $30,000 by Committee on the Judiciary to make a study of the narcotics problem in the U. S.; and S. Res. 70, authorizing Committee on Public Works, from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to expend not more than $100,000 in holding hearings and making investigations;

Amended—S. Res. 57, authorizing Committee on Banking and Currency, until January 31, 1956, to

expend additional funds of $100,000 to study Federal housing programs; S. Res. 58, to increase further limit of expenditures by Subcommittee on Internal Security of Committee on the Judiciary ($260,000); S. Res. 62, authorizing expenditure of $154,000 by Committee on the Judiciary to conduct a full and complete study of juvenile delinquency in the U. S.; S. Res. 63, authorizing expenditure of $58,500 by Committee on the Judiciary for an examination and review of the administration of the Trading With the Enemy Act; S. Res. 64, authorizing expenditure of $36,500 by Committee on the Judiciary to investigate problems connected with emigration of refugees from Communist tyranny to certain Western European nations; and S. Res. 65, authorizing expenditure of $13,600 by Committee on the Judiciary, or the standing Subcommittee on National Penitentiaries, in holding hearings and making investigations insofar as they relate to national penitentiaries; and

An original resolution authorizing payment of gratuity to survivor of a former Senate employee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 62 public bills, H. R. 4644–4705; 13 private bills, H. R. 4706–4718; and 1 resolution, H. J. Res. 246, were introduced. Pages 2454–2456

Bill Reported: One report was filed as follows: H. R. 2126, amending the act of July 3, 1952, relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters (H. Rept. 89). Page 2454

Alaska Fish Nets: Passed without amendment and cleared for the President S. 456, relating to the regulation of fishing nets in Alaska waters. H. R. 249, a similar bill, was tabled. Pages 2434–2435

President's Message—Renegotiation: Heard a Presidential message recommending a 2-year extension of the Renegotiation Act of 1951. The message was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 101). Page 2436

Bill Referred: S. 752, to amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from CCC stocks, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Page 2453

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:37 p. m.

Committee Meetings

NAVAL VESSELS

Committee on Armed Services: Started hearings on H. R. 4393, to provide for the construction of a 60,000-ton aircraft carrier, and to construct, acquire, or convert certain other modern naval vessels. Witnesses supporting this proposal at today's session were Charles S. Thomas, Secretary of the Navy; James H. Smith, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Navy (Air); Rear Adm. Wilson D. Leggett, Bureau of Ships; and Adm. Donald B. Duncan, Vice Chief of Naval Operations. Recessed until Wednesday morning.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Opposition was expressed to certain provisions of H. R. 2674, to provide for control and regulation of bank holding companies, by the following witnesses today—George Boyles, chairman, Federal legislative committee, American Bankers' Association; and J. Cameron Thompson, president, Northwest Bancorporation, Minneapolis, Minn. Heard in favor of the bill's enactment was Henry D. Karandjeff, president, Illinois Bankers' Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Harris subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 3015, to establish workmen's compensation for the District of Columbia. Testimony was presented by Samuel Spencer, D. C. Commissioner; Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; and representatives of the Washington Board of Trade and local business organizations. Hearing will be continued tomorrow.

ANTHRACITE MINE DRAINAGE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining held hearings on H. R. 38, 77, 2391, and 2444, similar bills which would provide for temporary measures of flood control and anthracite mine drainage. Urging enactment were authors of the bills, Members from Pennsylvania: Representatives Fenton (H. R. 38), Carrigg (H. R. 77), and Flood (H. R. 2391). Also testifying in support of the proposed legislation were the following officials of the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior—Dr. John J. Forbes, Director; James Westfield, Assistant Director for Health and Safety; and James A. Corgan, Chief, Anthracite Branch, Solid Fuels Division. Other witnesses were Daniel H. Connelly, Pennsylvania State deputy secretary of mines; Harry Otto, chief engineer, Hudson Coal Co.; William Muehlhoff, chief engineer, Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co.; Edward Powell, chief engineer, Glen Alden Coal Co.; D. W. Jones, chief engineer, and W. H. Moore, general superintendent, Susquehanna Colliery; and Donald Markle, president, Jeddo Highland Coal Co. Subcommittee took no action on the subject and recessed subject to call.

Joint Committee Meetings

RESEARCH REPORT

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Research and Development met in executive session to receive a special research report from AEC representatives.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee met in executive session, both in the morning and afternoon, to consider materials for inclusion in its report on the President's economic report.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate Foreign Relations Committee received report from Secretary Dulles on his trip to the Far East.

House committees approved bills reestablishing commodity price supports and increasing military salaries.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2471–2488

Bills Introduced: 60 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1325–1384; S. J. Res. 54; and S. Res. 73. Pages 2476–2478, 2482–2483

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: H. R. 3952, providing for an increase in the 1955 national cotton acreage allotments of approximately 258,000 acres, with an amendment (S. Rept. 47). Page 2476

Bills Rereferred: Committee on Agriculture and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 687, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to protect timber and other surface values of lands within national forests, and the bill was then rereferred to Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; and Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was discharged from further consideration of S. J. Res. 38, consenting to an interstate compact to conserve oil and gas, and the bill was rereferred to Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 2483

Committee Authorization: S. Res. 72, authorizing expenditure by Committee on Armed Services until January 31, 1956, of not more than $160,000 for employment of temporary investigators, technical, clerical, and other assistants, was by unanimous consent taken from calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 2483

Taxation: By unanimous consent, authority was granted for filing of minority views on H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, until midnight Wednesday, March 9. Page 2489

Bill Indefinitely Postponed: S. 1254, creating Federal Commission To Study the Copyright Laws and make recommendations for their revisions, was indefinitely postponed. Page 2483

Federal Land Banks: Senate passed without amendment S. 941, to authorize the Federal land banks to purchase certain remaining assets of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation. Pages 2489–2490

Foreign Agricultural Commodities: S. 942, to repeal law providing a revolving fund for purchase of agricultural commodities and raw materials to be processed in occupied areas and sold, was passed without amendment. Pages 2508–2509

Registration Fees-Commodity Exchange Act: Senate passed without amendment S. 1051, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act regarding fees for registrations and renewals of certificates. Page 2509

Amateur Sports: Senate passed, with committee amendments, S. 829, authorizing Armed Forces personnel to participate in certain international amateur sports competition. Pages 2509–2510

Confirmations: Seven civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of Charles N. Shepardson, of Texas, to be member of Board of Governors of Federal Reserve System, Theophil C. Kammholz, of Illinois, to be General Counsel of NLRB, Sam H. Bober, of South Dakota, to be member of Federal Farm Credit Board, and Chester R. Davis, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, along with 134 in the diplomatic and Foreign Service, and 153 postmasters. Pages 2525–2527

Nomination: One Army nomination was received. Page 2525

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:50 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COTTON ACREAGE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute bill H. R. 3952, providing for an increase in the 1955 national cotton acreage allotments of approximately 258,000 acres.

The committee also appointed a subcommittee (Senators Humphrey, chairman, Scott, and Mundt) to hold hearings on S. 153, to amend the Rural Electric Classification Act of 1936, regarding unexpended or unobligated sums.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Interior Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of the Interior, with testimony today in behalf of funds for the Fish and Wildlife Service from the following departmental witnesses: Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management; and John L. Farley, Director, Arnie J. Suomela and Ernest F. Swift, Assistant Directors, Lloyd E. Meehean, Assistant to Director for Technical Staff Services, and Jack Besansky, budget officer, all of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Hearings continue Thursday, March 10.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved the following projects:

Army acquisition projects No. 126 at San Juan, P. R. (subject to the Government having right of cancellation), and No. 127 at St. Louis, Mo.;

Air Force acquisition projects No. 250 at Oklahoma City, Okla.; No. 258 at Fort Dearborn, Rye, N. H.; No. 261 at Mather Air Force Base, Sacramento, Calif.; No. 264 at Norton Air Force Base, San Bernardino, Calif.; and No. 267 at Congaree Air Force Base, Columbia, S. C.;

Air Force disposal projects No. 24 at Pampa Air Force Base, Tex.; No. 22 at Casa Grande Air Force Base, Ariz.; and No. 21 at Gaskin Air Force Base, Tex.; and

Navy disposal project No. 39 at Naval Air Station, Squantum, Mass.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Civil Defense Subcommittee resumed its hearings on operations and policies of the Federal Civil Defense Administration, with further testimony from its Administrator, Val Peterson; Col. Barnet W. Beers, representing the Defense Department; and Francis V. du Pont, Commissioner, Bureau of Public Roads, Commerce Department. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee continued its hearings on the study of the stock market, with testimony today from the following two witnesses: Prof. John K. Galbraith, economist of Harvard University, whose testimony dealt with the similarities and dissimilarities between the 1928–29 markets and the present market; and

Harold E. Wood, chairman, National Association of Securities Dealers, and president and director of Harold E. Wood & Co., St. Paul, Minn., who testified on the relationship between the over-the-counter market and the exchange market, methods available to the National Association of Securities Dealers to restrain speculation, and the extent of supervision by the NASDA over brokers and dealers.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TEXAS RUBBER-PRODUCING FACILITY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization held hearing on S. 691, to reopen negotiations for the sale of the copolymer plant at Baytown, Tex. Testimony favoring enactment of this bill was heard from Senators Johnson and Daniel, who was accompanied by Dr. J. Horace Faull, Jr., a consulting chemist, and Jack Henderson and Fred Hartman, both of Baytown, Tex. Laurence B. Robbins, Administrator, Federal Facilities Corporation, stated that his agency had no objection to S. 691 provided that it did not adversely affect the entire disposal program of 24 other rubber-producing facilities.

Holman T. Pettibone, Chairman, Leslie R. Rounds, Vice Chairman, and Everett R. Cook, member, all of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission, discussed the methods used in carrying out terms of the disposal act, and stated that the consideration of S. 691 was a matter of basic policy of the Congress.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, committee received testimony from the following witnesses: Sam Lenher, president, Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers Association; Gilbert Robinson, Forstmann Woolen Co.; E. C. Coleman, chairman, Luggage & Leather Goods Lock Manufacturers Association, accompanied by Leonard Harris, Presto Lock Co.; Gwilym A. Price, president, Westinghouse Electric Corp.; Fred G. Singer, international trade and tariff committee of the Manufacturing Chemists Association, Inc.; Richard F. Hansen, Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.; E. M. Norton, secretary, National Milk Producers Federation; O. M. Reed, representing National Creamery Association, American Butter Institute, Dairy Industry Committee, National Cheese Institute, Inc., and American Dry Milk Institute;

and Otto Herres, chairman, National Lead and Zinc Committee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BRIEFING BY SECRETARY DULLES

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee met in executive session with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles to hear him report on his recent trip to the Far East. The Secretary's testimony covered: (1) The meeting of the Southeast Asia Treaty Powers at Bangkok, (2) the menace of Communist subversion in Southeast Asia, (3) his visit to Burma, (4) negotiations and arrangements for supply of equipment and training of local forces for the Associated States of Indochina, (5) economic conditions in North Viet-Nam, and (6) conference with Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in Taiwan.

GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Reorganization began hearings on S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security, to study the overall Government security mechanism, and to submit appropriate recommendations. Testimony today was heard from Assistant Attorney General William F. Tompkins. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Committee on Government Operations: Committee announced that it will meet in executive session at 10 a. m. on Thursday, March 10, to consider the nomination of Joseph Campbell to be Comptroller General of the U. S.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee ordered favorably reported for full committee action the nomination of Gilbert H. Jertberg to be U. S. district judge for southern district of California.

Prior to approval of this nomination, hearings were held thereon, with favoring testimony from Senator Kuchel. The nominee appeared in his own behalf.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee resumed questioning of Albert E. Kahn, a publisher of New York, regarding any knowledge he had about Harvey Matusow, and as to the preparation and publication of Matusow's book, False Witness.

Subcommittee also questioned Herbert Tank, who has been described as Harvey Matusow's bodyguard. He stated that he had been with Matusow at the request of Mr. Kahn for 25 days, and that he did not consider that he was serving in the capacity of a bodyguard. This witness also stated that he was not with Matusow under Communist Party orders, but refused, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), to answer questions as to whether he worked for the Communist Party without pay.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NARCOTIC DRUG TRADE

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee began hearings on the use of the narcotic drug trade by the Communists, with testimony today from Harry J. Anslinger, U. S. Commissioner of Narcotics and the U. S. representative to the U. N. Commission on Narcotics. The witness stated that there was an increase in the amount of narcotics available in California, and that it all appears to be of Chinese origin. Also testifying was an undercover man of the Office of U. S. Commissioner of Narcotics, whose name was withheld. These hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings to investigate the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries, subcommittee today heard testimony from the following witnesses: Representative Hyde, whose testimony dealt primarily with the coal, textile, and railroad industries; Richard W. Dittmer, public relations director, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., who testified regarding the flat glass industry; and Charles B. J. Molitor, president, North American Lace Co., Inc., on behalf of American Lace Manufacturers Association, who discussed the textile industry. Hearings continue Thursday, March 10.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 39 public bills, H. R. 4719–4757; 18 private bills, H. R. 4758–4775; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 247 and 248, H. Con. Res. 93 and H. Res. 168, were introduced. **Pages 2545–2546**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances (H. Rept. 90);

Sixty-three private bills, H. R. 869, 903, 906, 989, 996, 1003, 1016, 1072, 1082, 1099, 1101, 1116, 1134, 1171, 1189, 1401, 1404, 1409, 1416, 1420, 1426, 1440, 1640, 1671, 1692, 1745, 1866, 1886, 1913, 1921, 1933, 1941, 1943, 1953, 1965, 1971, 1989, 1995, 2057, 2236, 2316, 2366, 2456, 2486, 2529, 2707, 2709, 2736, 2760, 2907, 2936, 3031, 3045, 3054, 3178, 3281, 3506, 3512, 3638, 3957, 4191, 4288, and 4320 (H. Repts. 91–153, respectively);

H. R. 1831, to protect innocent purchasers of converted fungible goods (H. Rept. 154);

H. R. 4046, to abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument, Alaska (H. Rept. 155);

H. R. 2121, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Armed Forces who were required to pay certain transportation charges covering shipment of their household goods and personal effects upon return from overseas (H. Rept. 156);

H. R. 3761, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (H. Rept. 157);

H. Res. 22, authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 158); and

H. Res. 151, to amend the rules of the House of Representatives to provide for a code of fair procedure for committees (H. Rept. 159). Pages 2543–2545

Late Reports: The Committee on Rules was granted permission to file, by midnight Wednesday, certain reports. Page 2527

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:46 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Voted (23–12) to report to the House, with amendments, H. R. 12, to reestablish 90 percent of parity price supports for basic commodities. The following amendments were adopted, which would—

Make a part of the reported bill the provisions of H. R. 2598, as amended, to establish a two-price plan for wheat;

Provide for support of dairy products at not less than 80 percent nor more than 90 percent of the parity price thereof;

Extend the brucellosis program; and

Extend the school-lunch program, and cause to be appropriated $75 million therefor instead of $50 million.

MILITARY PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Reported to the House H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances. This measure is a newly introduced bill and supersedes the amended version of H. R. 2607, the original measure on the subject. As approved, the military pay increase will total about $735 million, and provides for selective increases ranging from 6 to 25 percent for enlisted men with more than 2 years of experience, and officers with more than 3 years.

SHIPPING COSTS—AERONAUTICS—SPORTS—REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2121, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Armed Forces who were required to pay certain transportation charges covering shipment of their household goods and personal effects upon return from overseas;

H. R. 3761, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; and

H. R. 3014, authorizing personnel of the Armed Forces to participate in international sports.

Also approved miscellaneous military, naval, and Air Force projects which were reported by the Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 concluded public hearings on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Representatives of the U. S. Coast Guard testified today in support of the proposal. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 2674, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies. Today's witnesses were Gov. R. M. Evans, a former member of the Federal Reserve Board; and Elery C. Huntington, representing the Morris Plan Corp.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will hear Thomas C. Boushall, president of the Bank of Virginia, and A. J. Morris, chairman of the board, Morris Plan Corp.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Harris subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 3015, to establish workmen's compensation for the District of Columbia. Testifying on the proposed legislation were Andrew J. Biemiller, of the AFL, and Walter J. Bierwagen, representing the Washington Central Labor Union. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Members of Congress continued before the committee today to discuss bills they have sponsored in this session, which would provide emergency financial assistance to States for school construction. Witnesses heard were Representative Bennett of Florida, on H. R. 2548; and Representatives Elliott and Perkins, on H. R. 1565 and 4302, respectively. The last-mentioned bills which would also include assistance in Territorial construction of elementary and secondary schools, as well as States. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

JOHN FOSTER DULLES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session today with John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Concluded consideration of the draft Foreign Service bill, meeting again with Loy Henderson, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Administration, and George F. Wilson, Assistant Controller of Personnel, Department of State. Will meet in executive session tomorrow morning to mark up the bill.

AIR RADIO NAVIGATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Military Operations held hearing to inquire into research, development, and procurement of air radio navigational systems. Officials of the Department of Defense who testified today were Dr. Donald A. Quarles, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development; Raymond H. Fogler, Assistant Secretary of Navy (Material); and Trevor Gardner, Assistant Secretary of Armed Forces (Research and Development).

PUBLIC LANDS—ALASKA—INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3123, amended, to repeal the provision of the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act of 1935, which requires recoupment of certain public funds spent for school construction;

H. R. 3338, amended, to extend Alaska Railroad leases to 55 years instead of 20 years;

H. R. 4046, to abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument; and

H. R. 4367, to provide for the distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians.

Also passed over, without prejudice, H. R. 3990, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska.

IRRIGATION—RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee considered amendments, in executive session, to H. R. 104, 384, 3817, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects. Made no announcement and recessed until tomorrow morning when it will begin hearings on upper Colorado River storage projects.

MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Health and Science began public hearings on H. R. 3458 and H. J. Res. 230, relating to mental health. The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, Oveta Culp Hobby, testified on the subject. Accompanying Secretary Hobby were Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, U. S. Surgeon General; Dr. Robert H. Felix, Director, National Institute of Mental Health; and Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent of St. Elizabeths Hospital, Washington, D. C. Recessed on the topic until tomorrow morning.

ARMED FORCES—IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3560, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army, Navy, and Air Force;

H. R. 3885, amended, to authorize the waiving of the requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts;

H. J. Res. 184, providing for the recognition of May 1, 1955, as Loyalty Day;

H. J. Res. 211, amended, along with 24 other private immigration bills; and

Seventy-nine private claims bills.

Also tabled 13 private immigration bills, and adopted rules and procedure in connection with private claims bills.

Robert C. Watson, Commissioner of Patents, addressed the committee today.

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed discussions with officials of the Fish and Wildlife Service (Interior) relative to the functions, activities, and proposed future program of the agency. Meeting with the committee were Albert M. Day, Assistant to Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; Dr. Lionel A. Walford, Chief, Branch of Fishery Biology; and Andrew W. Anderson, Chief, Branch of Commercial Fisheries. Recessed for further hearings tomorrow.

MOTOR-VEHICLE SERVICE—UNIFORMS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Appointed a subcommittee (Representative Rhodes of Pennsylvania, chairman) on H. R. 4659, to correct inequities in pay schedules of dispatchers in the post-office motor-vehicle service; and a subcommittee (Representative Dowdy, chairman) on H. R. 3948, to clarify the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act relative to enactment date. Hearings are scheduled on these measures next Thursday morning, March 10.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' SALARIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4644, to increase the rates of basic salaries of post-office officials, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service, and to eliminate certain salary inequities. This is a committee bill, drawn up following the hearings on H. R. 2987. It contains the agreements of the committee, arrived at

in recommending legislation on Friday, March 4 (see DIGEST, page D112, of that date).

Adjourned until next Tuesday morning, March 15, when it will consider Federal employees' salary and classification bills. Chairman Young and other officials of the Civil Service Commission are scheduled to testify.

HOUSE COMMITTEES

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported to the House H. Res. 22, amended, authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to conduct certain studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction; and H. Res. 151, to amend the House rules to provide for a code of fair procedure for House committees;

Also considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 139 and H. Res. 154, authorizing jurisdictional investigations by Committee on Agriculture and Committee on Education and Labor, respectively.

Rejected the proposal to permit radio broadcasting or telecasting of House committee hearings.

VETERANS' HOUSING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Housing met today with Ralph H. Stone, Deputy Administrator for Veterans' Benefits; and Thomas Sweeney, VA loan guaranty officer, to discuss the loan program of the Veterans' Administration.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 2 (on Government Procurement, Disposal, and Loan Activities) resumed hearings today in connection with its investigation of the activities and operations of the Small Business Administration. Witnesses heard were Representative Westland, of Washington; George J. Burger, vice president of the National Federation of Independent Business; and Frank Brainard, Jr., of the Brainard Industries, Inc., Lindenhurst, N. Y. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

NOMINATION—AEC

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Senate members of the committee, in executive session, unanimously approved for reporting to the Senate the nomination of John von Neumann to be a member of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Prior to this action, open hearings were held on this nomination, with the nominee testifying on his own behalf.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The committee continued its executive consideration of materials to be included in its report on the President's economic report.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate began consideration of tax extension bill.

House passed military pay raise bill.

Bill permitting utilization of surplus property by educational and public health groups approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 19 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1385–S. 1403; S. J. Res. 55; and S. Res. 74. **Pages 2569–2570**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Res. 57, authorizing Committee on Banking and Currency, until January 31, 1956, to expend additional funds of $100,000 to study Federal housing programs, with amendment (S. Rept. 48);

S. Res. 58, to increase further the limit of expenditures by Subcommittee on Internal Security of Committee on the Judiciary ($260,000), with additional amendments (S. Rept. 49);

S. Res. 61, authorizing expenditure of $250,000 by Committee on the Judiciary for a study of the antitrust laws of the U. S. and their administration, interpretation, and effect (S. Rept. 50);

S. Res. 62, authorizing expenditure of $154,000 by Committee on the Judiciary to conduct a full and complete study of juvenile delinquency in the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 51);

S. Res. 63, authorizing expenditure of $58,500 by Committee on the Judiciary for an examination and review of the administration of the Trading With the Enemy Act, with amendments (S. Rept. 52);

S. Res. 64, authorizing expenditure of $36,500 by Committee on the Judiciary to investigate problems connected with emigration of refugees from Communist tyranny to certain Western European nations, with amendments (S. Rept. 53);

S. Res. 65, authorizing expenditure of $13,600 by Committee on the Judiciary, or the standing Subcommittee on National Penitentiaries, in holding hearings and making investigations insofar as they relate to national penitentiaries, with amendment (S. Rept. 54);

S. Res. 66, authorizing expenditure of $102,000 by the Committee on the Judiciary in holding hearings and making investigations (immigration and naturalization) (S. Rept. 55);

S. Res. 67, authorizing expenditure of $30,000 by Committee on the Judiciary to make a study of the narcotics problem in the U. S. (S. Rept. 56);

S. Res. 70, authorizing Committee on Public Works, from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to expend not more than $100,000 in holding hearings and making investigations (S. Rept. 57);

S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government, with an amendment (S. Rept. 58);

Minority views on H. R. 4259, tax bill—reported on March 9 pursuant to authorization granted on March 8 (pt. II of S. Rept. 36); and

S. Res. 74, providing for gratuity to survivor of deceased Senate employee (no written report).

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Gratuity: Senate adopted S. Res. 74, providing for gratuity for survivor of deceased Senate employee.

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Mail Covers: By unanimous consent, Senate ordered referred to the Attorney General the report of Special Committee on Investigation of Cover on Mail of Senators, authorized by S. Res. 332, filed December 3, 1954, together with accompanying testimony and exhibits (S. Rept. 2510, 83d Cong., 2d sess.). Page 2564

Interparliamentary Union: It was announced by Senator Robertson that a meeting of the congressional group of the Interparliamentary Union will be held in the old Supreme Court Chamber on Tuesday, March 15, at 10 a. m. Page 2574

Taxation: Senate began consideration of H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates.

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Nominations: Three civilian nominations were received, including that of James Waldon Jones, of Texas, to be a member of U. S. Tariff Commission, along with 201 Foreign Service nominations. Pages 2617–2618

Recess: Recessed at 5:54 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses continued its hearings, with general testimony today from Assistant Secretary Earl L. Butz; Preston Richards, Deputy Administrator for Price Supports, Commodity Stabilization Service; William G. Lodwick, Administrator, Gustav Burmeister, Deputy Administrator for Market Development, and E. G. Bell, Director, Grain and Feed Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, all of the Agriculture Department.

On Wednesday, March 9, the subcommittee heard testimony regarding this matter from Edwin D. White, Deputy Director; K. W. Mainland, Chief, Fats, Oils, and Protein Feeds Branch; Roger Stewart, Chief, Cereals Branch; and R. W. Tyson, Chief, Special Commodities Branch, all of the Office of Food and Agriculture, Foreign Operations Administration.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Interior Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Interior, with testimony today in behalf of funds for the Office of Territories from the following departmental witnesses: Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management; and William C. Strand, Director; Anthony T. Lausi, Deputy Director; William A. Arnold, Assistant Director, Insular Affairs; George R. Milner, Alaska area assistant; Dan H. Wheeler, public works adviser; Lester M. Marx, deputy public works adviser; D. H. Nucker, Deputy High Commissioner of the Trust Territory; A. F. Ghiglione, commissioner of roads for Alaska; Frank E. Kalbaugh, General Manager, Alaska Railroad; Leland P. Draney, Comptroller of the Alaska Railroad; Dr. Kenneth A. Bartlett, President, Virgin Islands Corporation; and Adolph M. Edwards, Associate Solicitor—all of the Office of Territories.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: On Wednesday, March 9, the Agriculture Subcommittee began hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Agriculture, with testimony today on the following items:

Beekeeping research—Clarence L. Benson, chairman, from Arizona, Robert Banker, N. C. Jensen, Alan I. Root, Henry Schaefer, R. B. Willson, all of American Beekeeping Federation research committee; and Dr.

A. H. Moseman, Director, Crops Research, and James I. Hambleton, head, Beekeeping and Insect Pathology Section, both of the Agricultural Research Service, and Joseph C. Wheeler, Director of Finance and Budget Officer, all of the Agriculture Department;

National seed storage facility—Senator Allott; Donald G. Fletcher, Rust Prevention Association, Minneapolis, and representing the Grain Improvement Council; D. W. Robertson, head of agronomy department, Colorado A. and M. College, and representing the National Coordination Committee, New Crops Program; William Heckendorn, American Seed Trade Association, Chicago; and Dr. A. H. Moseman and Joseph C. Wheeler, both of the Agriculture Department;

Oat research—Dallas Western, Quaker Oats Co., and member of the Grain Improvement Council; and Dr. A. H. Moseman and Joseph C. Wheeler, both of the Agriculture Department;

Forage crops research—Howard Sprague, head of agronomy department, Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pennsylvania, and representing National Joint Committee on Grassland Farming; Lloyd Arnold, a seed producer of Five Points, Calif.; William Myers, head of agronomy and plant genetics, University of Minnesota; and Dr. A. H. Moseman and Joseph C. Wheeler, both of Agriculture Department.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Robert Tripp Ross to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, 67 officers of flag and general rank in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps, and 51 nominations in the Army in the rank of colonel and below.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: On Wednesday, March 9, the Civil Defense Subcommittee heard testimony from Mayor Frank P. Zeidler, of Milwaukee, Mayor Joseph S. Clark, of Philadelphia, and Patrick Healy, Jr., executive director, American Municipal Association.

These hearings will continue tomorrow with testimony from Governor Herter, of Massachusetts.

OFFICER GRADE LIMITATION

Committee on Armed Services: On Wednesday, March 9, the Subcommittee on Officer Grade Limitation (Senators Stennis, Ervin, and Duff) heard testimony with regard to the promotion programs of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Witnesses heard were Assistant Secretary of the Army Hugh M. Milton II, and Gen. Robert B. Young, Army; Assistant Secretary of the Navy Albert Pratt, Vice Adm. J. L. Holloway, Jr., Chief of Naval Personnel, and Capt. D. L. Martineau, Navy; and Assistant Secretary of the Air Force Lyle S. Garlock, and Brig. Gen. William S. Stone, Air Force.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the stock market study, the committee today heard testimony from John J. McCloy, chairman of the board of directors, Chase National Bank, New York, who discussed the interrelationship between foreign and U. S. economies, and foreign and U. S. stock prices. The committee also heard Marriner S. Eccles, Salt Lake City, who discussed the general effect of economic conditions upon the markets, and made proposals concerning credit restrictions.

On Wednesday, March 9, the committee had as its witness Winthrop H. Smith, managing partner, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane, New York. Mr. Smith discussed the operations of his firm, both as a broker and as a dealer, what restrictions the firm may place upon the use of credit by customers, and his analysis of the present market situation.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DISPOSAL OF RUBBER PLANTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the report of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission, the Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization today heard testimony, as indicated, from the following witnesses: J. E. Trainer, executive vice president, the Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., L. E. Spencer, assistant to the president, Goodyear Synthetic Rubber Corp., W. S. Richardson, president, Goodrich-Gulf Chemicals, Inc., and John P. Coe, vice president, United States Rubber Co., all of whose testimony was in support of the sale of Government plants to their respective companies; and O. V. Tracy, director and general manager, chemical products operations, Esso Standard Oil Co., who testified in support of the entire disposal program as reported by the Commission.

On Wednesday, March 9, the subcommittee heard testimony as follows: Owen A. Kane, legislative attorney, Office of Comptroller General, Ben H. Puckett, Assistant Director, Division of Audits, O. K. Blanchard, attorney, Office of Comptroller General, all of GAO, who felt that the Disposal Commission had abided by the legal requirements in recommending a disposal plan for the synthetic rubber plants, including the awarding of three California plants to the Shell Chemical Corp.; Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Justice Department, who testified that the disposal plan would not violate antitrust laws, but that future operations of the plants would be fully subject to compliance with antitrust laws; John L. Connally, secretary and general counsel, Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Co., and Jack B. Blalock, attorney at law, Houston, Tex., appearing for Edwin W. Pauley, of California, both of whom protested the awarding of the three California plants to Shell Chemical Corp., primarily on the charge that the Shell bid was not eligible for consideration by the Disposal Commission; and

Holman T. Pettibone, Chairman, Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission, who defended the Commission's actions in awarding the three California plants to the Shell Chemical Corp.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, with testimony today from Edwin Wilkinson, National Association of Wool Manufacturers; J. B. Wilson, secretary, Wyoming Wool Growers Association; Raymond Smethurst, the Optical and Ophthalmic Glass Lens and Instrument Industry; Richard B. Tucker, vice president, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.; J. M. Wells, U. S. Potters Association; Richard Henry Pass, Onondaga Pottery Co.; E. L. Torbert, Vitrified China Association; Frank Hull, International Brotherhood of Operative Potters; C. L. F. Wieber, chairman, tariff committee, Shears, Scissors & Manicure Implement Manufacturers Association; and Tyre Taylor, general counsel, Southern States Industrial Council.

On Wednesday, March 9, the committee heard the following witnesses: Representative Curtis of Missouri; Paul G. Hoffman, chairman of the board, Studebaker-Packard Corp.; Daniel T. Buckley, National Coal Association; Walter J. Tuohy, president, the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co.; Thomas Kennedy, vice president, UMW; Frank W. Earnest, Jr., president, Anthracite Institute; W. D. Johnson, vice president, Order of Railway Conductors of America; Walter W. Maule, Mushroom Growers Cooperative Association; Hessel E. Yntema, Jr., National Association of Hot House Vegetable Growers; J. Walter Hebert, Cherry Growers and Industries Foundation; Otis H. Ellis, general counsel, National Oil Jobbers Council; and Wallace J. Campbell, director, the Cooperative League of the USA.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The Subcommittee on Technical Assistance Programs resumed its hearings, today in executive session, and heard testimony from Nelson A. Rockefeller, Special Assistant to the President.

NOMINATION—COMPTROLLER GENERAL

Committee on Government Operations: The committee, in executive session, by a vote of 8 to 4, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Joseph Campbell to be Comptroller General of the U. S.

GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Reorganization continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security to study the overall Government security mechanism and to submit appropriate recommendations, with testimony today on AEC security systems from John A. Waters, Director of the Division of Security, and William Mitchell, General Counsel, both of the AEC.

On Wednesday, March 9, the subcommittee heard testimony regarding this matter from William M. Brucker, General Counsel, Defense Department, who was accompanied by representatives of the Army, Navy, and Air Force. These witnesses discussed their programs in the field of internal security.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: On Wednesday, March 9, the committee met in executive session, following which it announced that it had: (1) Ordered favorably reported the nominations of Clarence G. Morse, of California, to be a member of the Federal Maritime Board, and George C. McConnaughey, of Ohio, to be a member of the FCC, and 120 routine nominations in the Coast Guard; (2) ordered favorably reported with an amendment S. 948, to provide transportation on Canadian vessels between Alaska and the U. S.; (3) discussed with CAA Administrator Frederick D. Lee the dispute with respect to the air navigational aids system; (4) appointed a subcommittee (Senators Monroney, chairman, Thurmond, and Payne) to conduct a thorough investigation of all phases of automobile marketing; and (5) referred to the Surface Transportation Subcommittee the nomination of John A. Hall, of California, to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC.

WILDLIFE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries held hearings on S. 756, to provide that the U. S. shall aid the States in wildlife restoration projects, S. 757, to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of 1934, regarding fund for moneys received, and S. 1172, to amend the Wildlife Restoration Act regarding money currently in the wildlife restoration fund. Testimony generally favoring S. 756 and S. 757 was heard from William Gravelle and Francis R. Breen, an attorney, both of Reno, Nev. These witnesses also discussed briefly S. 1172. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee on the Judiciary: On Wednesday, March 9, the committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

(1) By a vote of 10 to 4, the nomination of John Marshall Harlan, of New York, to be Associate Justice of the Supreme Court;

(2) The nominations of Curtis Clark to be U. S. marshal for eastern district of Kentucky; M. Frank Reid to be U. S. marshal for the western district of South Carolina; Ben F. Cameron, of Mississippi, to be U. S. circuit judge, fifth circuit; William E. Miller to

be U. S. district judge for middle district of Tennessee; and Gilbert H. Jertberg to be U. S. district judge for southern district of California; and

(3) Report of its Subcommittee To Investigate Juvenile Delinquency on "Comic Books and Juvenile Delinquency," and an interim report of this subcommittee.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: On Wednesday, March 9, the Internal Security Subcommittee heard testimony from Angus Cameron, a New York publisher who published part of Harvey Matusow's book, False Witness. The witness was questioned regarding the preparation and publishing of this book, and he refused, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), to answer question of the subcommittee as to whether he is now or ever has been a member of the Communist Party.

The subcommittee also had as witnesses Mr. and Mrs. John Edmiston, of Ohio, who were both formerly undercover agents for the FBI in the Communist Party. These witnesses, whom Matusow has attacked in recent testimony, stated that they had been with Matusow when he prepared a statement of his knowledge of the Communist operation, which statement was made before he was contacted by any congressional committee.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings to investigate the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries, the subcommittee heard testimony today from the following witnesses: Representative Staggers, whose remarks were directed to the coal industry; Tom Kaiser, Tri-State Mine Operators of Kansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri, whose testimony concerned the mining industry; J. L. Wells, Sr., Homer Loughlin China Co., Newell, W. Va., who testified regarding the china industry; and Richard Pass, Onondaga Pottery Co., Syracuse, N. Y., and Frank Hull, president, Pottery Workers International Union, East Liverpool, Ohio, whose remarks were directed to the pottery industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads resumed its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highways, with testimony today from Secretary of Commerce Weeks. Mr. Weeks favored enactment of S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the National System of Interstate Highways, and to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 73 public bills, H. R. 4776–4848; 27 private bills, H. R. 4849–4875; and 10 resolutions, H. J. Res. 249–251 and H. Res. 169–175, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 169, providing for consideration of and 3 hours of debate on H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances, filed on March 9 (H. Rept. 160);

Thirty-five private bills, H. R. 1142, 1719, 2284, 3271, 3361, 3362, 3363, 3364, 3365, 3366, 3367, 3639, 4044, H. J. Res. 211, H. R. 872, 886, 888, 890, 891, 911, 913, 921, 924, 1081, 1163, 1165, 1166, 1656, 1660, 1672, 1961, 2261, 2276, 2361, and 3020 (H. Repts. 161–195, respectively);

H. R. 3014, authorizing Armed Forces personnel to participate in pan-American and Olympic games and certain other international amateur sports competitions, amended (H. Rept. 196);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 197 and 198);

H. J. Res. 184, designating May 1, 1955, as Loyalty Day (H. Rept. 199);

H. R. 3560, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army, Navy, and Air Force (H. Rept. 200);

H. R. 4367, providing for the distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians (H. Rept. 201);

H. R. 3338, amending section 1 of the act of March 12, 1914 (H. Rept. 202); and

H. R. 12, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, with respect to price supports for basic commodities (H. Rept. 203). **Pages 2659–2660**

Appropriations: The Committee on Appropriations was granted permission to file, by midnight Friday, a report on the bill making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments for fiscal year 1956. Permission was also granted for the reporting by April 13 of the State, Justice, and Judiciary appropriation bill and its consideration was made in order on April 13.

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Armed Forces: Passed S. 829, authorizing Armed Forces personnel to participate in certain international amateur sports competition, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. H. R. 3014, a similar bill, was tabled. Page 2621

Military Career Incentives: By a record vote of 399 yeas to 1 nay the House passed H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances.

H. Res. 169, the rule for the consideration of the legislation, was previously adopted by a voice vote.

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Bills Referred: Two Senate-passed bills were referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Page 2658

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:52 p. m.

Committee Meetings

TOBACCO

Committee on Agriculture: The Abbitt subcommittee heard producers testify today in general support of the five recommendations, presented by the Department of Agriculture on March 3, relating to marketing quotas, acreage allotments, etc., of tobacco. Witnesses heard were Randolph Taylor, executive secretary, Burley and Dark Leaf Tobacco Export Association; Burl S. St. Clair, president, Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation (accompanied by H. H. Procter, head, legislative department; Jack Welch, first vice president and chairman, State Farm Bureau Tobacco Committee; Golladay LaMotte, second vice president—all of the Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation); R. Flake Shaw, president, North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation; Norman Randall, chairman, burley committee, North Carolina State Grange; John Vance, president, Farmer Union of Virginia; Fred Royster, Henderson, N. C.; Paul Goddard, Burley Stabilization Corp., Knoxville, Tenn.; William C. Clay, counsel, Burley Auction Warehouse Association; Claude P. Bordwine, secretary-treasurer, Virginia Burley Tobacco Growers' Association; Turner A. Gilmer, Jr., president, Virginia Burley Tobacco Growers' Association; Clayton Stanley, field representative, West Virginia Farm Bureau Federation; and Tom Pepper, counsel, Burley Stabilization Corp., Knoxville, Tenn.

Recessed until Monday morning when Members of Congress who desire to be heard on tobacco legislation may testify. An executive session has been scheduled for Tuesday on the subject.

NAVAL VESSELS

Committee on Armed Services: On Tuesday the committee voted 34-0 to report to the House H. R. 4393, to provide for the construction of a 60,000-ton aircraft carrier, and to construct, acquire, or convert certain other modern naval vessels.

TEXAS RUBBER PLANT

Committee on Armed Services: Began public hearings on H. R. 2882, to provide authority for the Rubber Disposal Commission to reopen bidding for a period of 30 days and negotiations for an additional period on the rubber plant, Plancor No. 877, at Baytown, Tex. Testifying on the proposal today were Representatives Thomas, Brooks of Texas, Celler, Patman, and Yates. The last two mentioned witnesses are scheduled to appear again at tomorrow's session.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 met executively yesterday and today on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces, and will resume on the same subject tomorrow morning (9 a. m.).

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded hearings yesterday on H. R. 2674, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies. Final witness to testify was A. J. Morris, chairman of the board, Morris Plan Corp. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Members of Congress testified yesterday in connection with proposals which would provide emergency financial assistance to States for school construction. Witnesses were Representative Lesinski, author of H. R. 2612 and 2857, and Representative Udall. Recessed on the topic until next Tuesday.

QUANTICO MARINE CORPS SCHOOL

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 3253, to amend section 6 of Public Law 874 (81st Cong.) so as to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on Marine Corps installations (Quantico on-base school).

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive sessions yesterday and today to mark up the draft Foreign Service bill. Recessed on the measure until tomorrow morning.

IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs (Representative Mollohan, chairman), conducted a public hearing yesterday on the reorganization of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Gen. J. M. Swing, Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization, announced the reorganization on December 8, 1954. The plan was placed in effect on January 3, 1955. The reorganization calls for a considerable reduction in the Washington

office with many of its functions being transferred to four newly created regional offices. District offices are reduced from 15 to 11 and a number of suboffices and field offices have been scheduled for closing. Commissioner Swing has stated that the reorganization will decentralize the Service, accomplish a savings of about $500,000 annually, and improve operational efficiency. Since it has been put into effect, a number of objections have been voiced against the plan.

Others expected to testify will be several Members of Congress and representatives of organizations interested in immigration problems. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: Voted unanimously to report to the House, with amendments, H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes.

ADMINISTRATIVE MEASURES

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following measures reported to the House (Wednesday):

S. 913, amended, to eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of the Senate or House;

H. R. 4534, to amend the act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts;

H. J. Res. 250, to amend Public Law 10 (83d Cong.) to permit acquisition of more than two electric typewriters;

H. Res. 92, authorizing appropriation of $75,000 for jurisdictional studies by Committee on Foreign Affairs;

H. Res. 117, authorizing appropriation of $60,000 for jurisdictional studies by Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce; and

Five miscellaneous printing authorizations (S. Con. Res. 9 and H. Con. Res. 85, 90, 91, and 93).

UPPER COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation began hearings yesterday on H. R. 270, 2836, 3383, 3384, and 4488, bills relating to the upper Colorado River storage project. The witnesses heard were Fred G. Aandahl, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; W. A. Dexheimer, Director, Bureau of Reclamation; and E. O. Larson, regional director, region IV, Bureau of Reclamation, Salt Lake City, Utah. Continuing today, the subcommittee again heard testimony from Messrs. Dexheimer and Larson. They were followed by Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, Interior Department; C. B. Jacobson, engineer for region IV, Bureau of Reclamation, Interior Department, Salt Lake City; Glen Emmons, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, who was accompanied by irrigation engineers from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Recessed on the proposals until tomorrow morning.

MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 3458 and H. J. Res. 230, relating to mental health. Today's witnesses were Dr. Harvey J. Tompkins, Director, Psychiatric and Neurologic Service, Department of Medicine, Veterans' Administration; T. F. Daley, VA Legislative Office; Dr. David Allman, member of board of trustees and chairman of committee on legislation; and Dr. Leo Bartemeier, chairman, council on mental health, both of the American Medical Association.

Testifying yesterday were Mike Gorman, executive director, National Mental Health Committee, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. Daniel Blain, medical director, American Psychiatric Association, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

AIR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications, in executive session, discussed air navigational aids today with Donald H. Quarles, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development. Adjourned until tomorrow morning when James H. Smith, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Navy for Air, is scheduled to testify.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Chairman Priest announced today that the committee would initiate hearings for Tuesday, March 22, on H. R. 4560 and H. R. 4675, and related bills, proposing to amend the Natural Gas Act to clear up the current confusion over the utility status of independent producers of natural gas. Hearings will be conducted before the entire committee, starting at 10 a. m., in 1334 New House Office Building. Representatives of the Federal Power Commission are scheduled as the first witnesses.

RADIO CALL SELECTORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications announced that hearings have been scheduled for Thursday morning, March 17, on H. R. 4090, re the installation of radio call selectors on cargo ships.

NEWSPRINT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance announced that public hearings would start Tuesday morning, March 15, regarding survey of current newsprint situation.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 today ordered favorably reported to the full committee 27 private immigration bills. Reported adversely on 32 others.

CLAIMS, MILITARY-NAVAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following public bills: H. R. 3557, relating to the settlement of claims for damage to, or loss or destruction of, property or personal injury or death caused by military personnel or certain civilian employees of the United States, by removing certain limitations on the payment of such claims and the time within which such claims may be filed;

H. R. 3561, to further amend the act of 1942, entitled "An act to provide for the prompt settlement of claims for damages occasioned by Army, Navy, and Marine Corps forces in foreign countries";

H. R. 3661, to amend section 490 of title 14, U. S. Code, relating to the settlement of claims of military and civilian personnel of the Coast Guard;

H. R. 3996, to further amend the Military Personnel Claims Act of 1945; and

H. R. 4051, to provide for the relief of certain Army and Air Force nurses.

Also ordered favorably reported to the full committee 10 private claim bills, and ordered adversely reported a total of 7.

PATENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held hearings on H. R. 2128, 3134, and 4700, bills relating to patent extension. The following witnesses testified—Representatives Fisher, Reed of Illinois, and Utt; Frank Sculley, director, Patent Equity Association; John E. Lyons, Patent Equity Association; James E. Hooper, vice president of William E. Hooper & Sons, Baltimore, Md.; Kenneth McClure, Assistant General Counsel, Department of Commerce; P. J. Federico, Examiner-in-Chief, Patent Office; Richard Whiting, chairman of laws and rules, American Patent Law Association; and Harry H. Hitzeman, attorney at law, Chicago, Ill.

CLAYTON ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3658, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the U. S. to recover damages under the antitrust laws.

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued discussions with officials of the Fish and Wildlife Service relative to its functions and activities as well as its future proposed program. Today's witnesses were Seton H. Thompson, Chief, Branch of Alaska Fisheries; William Hagen, Jr., Assistant Chief, Branch of Game-Fish and Hatcheries; and Dorr D. Green, Chief, Branch of Predator and Rodent Control. Testifying yesterday were John L. Farley, Director; Dr. O. Lloyd Meehan, Assistant to Director, Technical Service, Fish and Wildlife; James T. McBroom, Coordinator, Office of River Basins' Studies; and R. M. Rutherford, Chief, Branch of Federal Aid.

Recessed until next Tuesday when this phase of hearings is scheduled to conclude.

MOTOR-VEHICLE SERVICE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Rhodes subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4659, with a minor amendment, to correct inequities in pay schedules of dispatchers in the post-office motor-vehicle service. Witnesses heard in open session were Representative Davis of Georgia, author of the bill; John J. Leahey, director, Division of Post Office Personnel, Bureau of Personnel, Post Office Department, accompanied by Wendell W. Campbell, Solicitor's Office, Post Office Department; John H. Martiny, legislative attorney, Office of the General Counsel, General Accounting Office; Paul Castiglioni, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees; and Jesse V. Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors.

UNIFORM ALLOWANCES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Dowdy subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 3948, to clarify the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act relative to enactment date. Testifying on the proposal were Representative Tumulty, author of the bill; William F. Finan, Assistant Director for Management and Organization, Bureau of the Budget; Thomas C. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council; and Luther Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees. Hearings will be continued tomorrow afternoon.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Met in executive session today with representatives of the Post Office Department to discuss the public buildings program and to afford new members of the committee an opportunity to meet these officials. The following department heads were present: Ormonde A. Kieb, Assistant Postmaster General; Irving Thomas, Chief Administrative Aide, Office of the Assistant Postmaster General; and Rollin Barnard, Director, Division of Real Estate, Post Office Department.

Also approved a flood-control authorization for a survey of the west branch of the Mahoning River, Ohio.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS

Committee on Public Works: Met yesterday to complete public hearings on H. R. 234, 235, and 2127, to revise the Federal-aid highway laws. The following departmental representatives presented further testimony and answered questions concerning the legislation—C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner, Bureau of Public Roads; Henry J. Kaltenbach, Solicitor, Bureau of Public Roads; and J. D. Burrus and Irving J. Lewis of the Bureau of the Budget.

Executive session on the subject will be called at a date to be announced.

MILITARY PAY INCREASE

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule Wednesday on H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. The rule would provide 3 hours' general debate in the House. Appearing in support of the proposal were Representatives Kilday, Short, Johnson of California, Gavin, and Arends. Recessed until next Tuesday when it will consider a rule on H. R. 2535, Hawaiian-Alaskan statehood bill.

DENTAL CARE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Hospitals held a meeting today to consider H. R. 4481, to amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care. Witnesses heard on the subject were Dr. Rudolph H. Friederich, American Dental Association; Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, VA; Dr. J. E. Fauber, VA Chief Dental Officer; and representatives of American Legion, VFW, DAV, and AMVETS.

INTERNAL REVENUE

Committee on Ways and Means: Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey testified today on behalf of H. R. 4725, which would repeal section 452 (relating to prepaid income) and section 462 (relating to reserves for estimated expenses) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Representative Zelenko, of New York, is scheduled to testify.

The committee announced that interested persons who desire to do so may file written statements for inclusion in the printed hearings, provided they are submitted by Thursday, March 24.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Hearings were continued today by Subcommittee No. 2 (on Government Procurement, Disposal, and Loan Activities) in connection with its investigation of the Small Business Administration's activities and operations. Today's witnesses included Edmund F. Mansure, Administrator, General Service Administration; and Thomas P. Pike, Assistant Secretary of Defense, Supply and Logistics. Also heard today were Willard Triest, Triest Manufacturing Work, Inc.; and Frank Brainard, Jr., of the Brainard Industries, Inc., Lindenhurst, N. Y. Mr. Brainard also testified yesterday and is scheduled to return tomorrow morning. Other witnesses yesterday were Representative Bennett of Florida; Wendell Barnes, Administrator of the Small Business Administration; and Frank Gilbert, president of the Metal Craft Manufacturing & Sales Corp., Kansas City, Mo.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Research and Development Subcommittee met in executive session with Donald Quarles, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development, and members of the Military Liaison Committee of the Defense Department. The major portion of this meeting was directed to highly classified matters involving Navy and Army applications of atomic energy. Chairman Price announced that the Air Force presentation will be taken up at a later date.

AEC BUILDING

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: On Wednesday, March 9, the committee met in executive session and authorized its chairman and vice chairman to introduce a bill to give direct authority to the Atomic Energy Commission to build a new headquarters building in or near the District of Columbia.

SUPPLY OF COPPER, NICKEL, AND ALUMINUM

Joint Committee on Defense Production: The committee met in executive session to receive testimony from governmental representatives on the supply and demand of copper, nickel, and aluminum. Participating in today's hearing were ODM Director Arthur Flemming; Lothair Teetor, Assistant Secretary of Commerce; Edmund F. Mansure, GSA; Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary of Interior; and representatives of the Departments of State and Defense. Committee recessed subject to call.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

Joint Committee on Defense Production: On Wednesday, March 9, the committee met in executive session for organizational purposes, and elected Representative Brown of Georgia as its chairman and Senator Robertson as its vice chairman.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate reached agreement limiting debate on tax extension bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2692–2705

Bills Introduced: 10 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1404–1413; S. Con. Res. 16; and S. Res. 75 and 76. Pages 2697–2699

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. 948, to provide transportation on Canadian vessels between Alaska and the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 59). Page 2696

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 2692

Taxation: Senate continued consideration of H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, reaching unanimous-consent agreement that on Tuesday, March 15, after close of morning business, debate on any amendment or motion will be limited to 2 hours, equally divided between proponents and opponents; debate on each substitute will be limited to 4 hours, equally divided; debate on passage of bill will be limited to 2 hours, equally divided; and that no amendment that is not germane will be received, except for a series of amendments intended to be proposed by Senator Johnson of Texas, and others. Senate agreed earlier by unanimous consent that these Johnson amendments would be considered en bloc. Pages 2706–2707, 2714–2733

Confirmations: Two nominations to U. N. groups were confirmed. Page 2733

Nominations: 68 Foreign Service nominations were received, including that of Homer Ferguson, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines, along with 21 Army nominations. Page 2733

Lobbyists: The compilation by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of all registrations and quarterly reports for the fourth quarter of 1954, filed by persons engaged in lobbying activities, appears in this issue of the Congressional Record. Pages 2734–2763

Recess: Recessed at 5:24 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses continued its hearings, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Herschel D. Newsom, master, National Grange; Gwynn Garnett, director of trade development, American Farm Bureau Federation; John A. Baker, assistant to president, National Farmers Union; and Paul C. French, executive secretary, and J. T. Sanders, agricultural consultant, both of CARE, New York City. Hearings continue Monday, March 14.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Interior, subcommittee heard testimony today in behalf of funds for the Bureau of Land Management from the following departmental witnesses: Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management; and Edward Woozley, Director; William G. Guernsey, Associate Director; Depue Falck, executive officer; Earl J. Thomas, Assistant to Director; T. M. Tyrrell, area range and forestry officer, Portland, Oreg.; and James P. Beirne, budget and finance officer—all of the Bureau of Land Management. Hearings continue Monday, March 14.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Civil Defense Subcommittee continued its hearings, with testimony today from Governor Herter and Col. John J. Maginnis, Director of the Civil Defense Agency, both of Massachusetts, and Maj. Gen. Edgar C. Erickson, Chief of National Guard Bureau.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: The committee continued its hearings on the study of the stock market, with testimony today from the following two witnesses:

Gen. Robert E. Wood, director and chairman of the finance committee, Sears, Roebuck & Co., Chicago, who testified on aspects of the Sears, Roebuck pension plan, and on techniques whereby securities are accumulated for the pension funds; he also discussed the extent of participation in the stock market by pension funds, and the resultant effect on the market; and

Benjamin Graham, chairman and president, Graham-Newman Corp., New York, whose testimony related to stock price levels from the standpoint of relationship between prices and value, the causes of the

market increases since September 1953, and feasible methods of controlling excessive speculation in the future.

Hearings continue Monday, March 14.

DISPOSAL OF RUBBER PLANTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization continued its hearings on the report of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission, with testimony today from R. C. McCurdy, president, Shell Chemical Corp.; Eppes Wayles Browne, Jr., economist, of Bethesda, Md.; Thomas Robins, Jr., president, Hewitt-Robins, Inc., and American Synthetic Rubber Corp.; and Charles J. Fagg. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Gov. Dennis J. Roberts, of Rhode Island; Eugene Holman, chairman of the board of directors, Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey; Sidney A. Swensrud, chairman of the board, Gulf Oil Corp.; Philip Cortney, U. S. Council of the International Chamber of Commerce, Inc.; Stuart F. Louchheim, chairman, Philadelphia Committee for a National Trade Policy; Richard H. Anthony, executive secretary, the American Tariff League, Inc.; Edward W. Wootton, Wine Institute; William C. Babbitt, managing director, National Association of Photographic Manufacturers, Inc.; W. F. Rockwell, Rockwell Manufacturing Co.; Seymour E. Harris, Harvard University; E. R. Metcalf, Cordage Institute; S. Ralph Lazrus, president, Benrus Watch Co.; Arthur B. Sinkler, president, Hamilton Watch Co.; and Bernard Weitzer, national legislative director, Jewish War Veterans. Hearings continue Monday, March 14.

GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Reorganization continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security, to study the overall Government security mechanism, and to submit appropriate recommendations, with testimony today on security programs in the State Department from Scott McLeod, Administrator of Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, Dennis Flinn, Director, Office of Security, and John Sipes, Security Counsel, all of State Department. Hearings continue Monday, March 14.

AIR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS SYSTEM

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee met in executive session with Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development Donald A. Quarles with regard to the VOR/DME–TACAN problem of a common air navigation system, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee held hearings on juvenile delinquency on Indian reservations. Today's testimony was with regard to a State-Federal jurisdictional dispute relating to law and order on a North Dakota Indian reservation. Witnesses testifying were Carlyle Onsrud, State welfare department, and John Hart, Indian affairs commission, both of North Dakota; Assistant Secretary of Interior Orme Lewis; and Glenn L. Emmons, Commissioner, accompanied by other representatives of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Unemployment Subcommittee continued its hearings into the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries. Testimony today was heard from Representative Dorn of South Carolina, and Anthony Valente, president, United Textile Workers of America, AFL, who discussed the textile industry; and B. L. Mojewski, president, Great American Oil Co., Chicago, who discussed unemployment from the standpoint of the independent petroleum producer. Hearings continue Monday, March 14.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Public Roads Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highways. Today's witness was Lucius D. Clay, Chairman, President's Advisory Committee on National Highway Programs, who testified in support of S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the national system of interstate highways, and to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act. Hearings continue Monday, March 14.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, March 14, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

RUBBER PLANTS

Committee on Armed Services: Resumed hearings in connection with the report of the Rubber Disposal Com-

mission regarding sale of Government-owned synthetic plants to private firms. Testimony was received today from Representatives Patman and Yates, who also spoke in opposition to the disposal program at yesterday's hearing. Other witnesses today were John Connally, general counsel, Minnesota Mining Co., and John J. Courtney, staff director of the House Special Subcommittee on Investigations. Recessed until Monday morning.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals took the following action today in executive session—

Navy disposal project No. 39 at Naval Air Station, Squantum, Mass.; and Navy disposal project No. 40 at Naval Industrial Reserve Shipyard, Hingham, Mass.;

Approved classified naval construction project No. 8;

Passed over one Army project (lease in Chicago, Ill.); and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 continued executive consideration of H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, met with the group during the session. Recessed until Monday morning.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Davis subcommittee resumed hearings on H. R. 3753, to set aside the action of the Commissioner of the District of Columbia with respect to the reassignment of certain Fire Department personnel. Witnesses heard today were Col. Frank H. Collins, USAF (retired), and Philip Dolan, representing the Federated Citizens' Association; Mrs. Glady Muse, Anacostia Citizens' Association; and Mrs. Ernest Howard, of Washington, D. C. Adjourned subject to call of Chair.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued public hearings on H. R. 270, 3383, 3384, 2836, and 4488, relating to the upper Colorado River storage project. Witnesses appearing today were Ivan C. Crawford, director, Colorado Conservation Board; Dan H. Hughes, of Montrose, Colo.; Silmon Smith, of Grand Junction, Colo.; John B. Barnard, Middle Park Water Conservancy District, Granby, Colo.; Frank C. Merriell, chief engineer, Colorado River Water Conservation District, Grand Junction, Colo.; Quigg Newton, mayor of Denver, Colo.; R. P. Culverwell, of Hudson, Colo.; Robert Delaney, of Glenwood Springs, Colo.; Frank Delaney, upper Colorado River commissioner; Harold D. Roberts, of Denver, Colo., special counsel for city of Denver; and Clifford H. Jex, engineer, Grand Junction, Colo.

The above witnesses testified generally in favor of the legislation, though mixed testimony was presented regarding the inclusion of so-called section 11, relating to proposal by the city of Denver to divert water from the Blue River, a tributary of Colorado River. Recessed on legislation until Monday, March 14.

AIR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications, in executive session, continued its consideration of air navigational aids. Witnesses heard were Col. J. F. Taylor, Jr., Director, Air Navigation Development Board; James H. Smith, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Navy for Air; Capt. A. S. Born (USN); Capt. Rawson Bennett (USN); Comdr. Charles E. Gibson (USN); Cole Morrow, representing National Business Aircraft Association, Racine, Wis.; Lt. Col. John L. Wilson, Signal Corps, U. S. Army; and Gen. Gordon A. Blake, Director of Air Communications, USAF Headquarters, who represented Trevor Gardner, Assistant Secretary of Air for Reconstruction and Development. Recessed until Tuesday morning.

MENTAL HEALTH AND SCIENCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Health and Science concluded public hearings on title VI of H. R. 3458, and H. J. Res. 230, relating to mental health. Witnesses testifying today were Dr. George S. Stevenson, National Association for Mental Health, New York City; Dr. Francis J. Braceland, Institute of Living, Hartford, Conn.; Dr. Fillmore H. Sanford, American Psychological Association, Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Katherine Ellickson, social security committee, CIO. Recessed until Tuesday morning.

UNIFORM ALLOWANCES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Dowdy subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 3948, to clarify the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act relative to enactment date. Representatives of the Department of the Interior and the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare testified at this session. Other witnesses were Ross Messer, legislative representative of the National Association of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees; John McCart, legislative representative of the American Federation of Government Employees; and Charles E. Burbridge, Superintendent of Freedman's Hospital, Washington, D. C. Recessed until Monday morning when it will consider the bill in executive session.

INTERNAL REVENUE

Committee on Ways and Means: Chairman Cooper today announced that the committee had decided to hear testimony from interested public witnesses on his bill, H. R. 4725. This bill was introduced at the request of

Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey to carry out his recommendation that section 452 (relating to prepaid income) and section 462 (relating to reserves for estimated expenses) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 "immediately be repealed retroactively to their original effective dates." Representative Reed of New York has introduced an identical bill (H. R. 4726). The hearings will begin on March 17 and are expected to conclude on March 18.

In his announcement, the chairman stated that—

Due to the interest in this proposed legislation, the committee has decided that limited public hearings will be held at which interested persons may appear and testify. I have already announced that the committee will receive written statements for inclusion in the printed hearings, provided they are submitted to the clerk of the committee by March 24, 1955. In view of the request of the Secretary of the Treasury for the immediate repeal of these two provisions, the committee will not hold extensive hearings. Therefore, the committee requests that interested persons who may desire to have their views presented designate one spokesman for their industry, association, or organization, to represent their entire group. However, the committee still plans to keep the printed hearings open until March 24 to receive written suggestions and recommendations on these sections from interested persons, for any future consideration of these provisions which the committee may deem desirable.

Requests to be heard should be submitted to the clerk of the Committee on Ways and Means, New House Office Building, by Tuesday, March 15, 1955. Only those requests which are based on this announcement will be considered. If the requests to be heard are too numerous, it may be necessary for a calendar committee consisting of members of the Committee on Ways and Means to select the witnesses to be heard in the limited time available.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: The Multer subcommittee concluded the present phase of its study of the activities of the Small Business Administration and adjourned subject to call of the Chair. Witnesses at today's session were Representative Burnside, of West Virginia; J. Frederic Benedict, regional director of the Small Business Administration's office in New York, who was accompanied by associates of that office; and Mr. Perlmutter, representing Dick Bros., of Reading, Pa.

Monday, March 14, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate continued on tax extension bill.

Senate Judiciary Committee ordered numerous bills reported.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2769–2835

Bills Introduced: 27 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1414–1440; and S. Res. 77.

Pages 2777–2784

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report of Joint Committee on the Economic Report on the January 1955 Economic Report of the President, together with supplemental views filed by individual committee members (S. Rept. 60);

Interim report of Committee on the Judiciary on juvenile delinquency, pursuant to S. Res. 89 and 190 (83d Cong., 1st and 2d sess.) (S. Rept. 61); and

Interim report of Committee on the Judiciary on comic books and juvenile delinquency, pursuant to S. Res. 89 and 190 (83d Cong., 1st and 2d sess.) (S. Rept. 62). **Page 2776**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 2769**

Subcommittee on Investigations: Authorization was granted to Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Government Operations to meet on Wednesday and for the balance of week during sessions of Senate. **Pages 2793–2794**

Tin Smelting: Committees on Armed Services and Banking and Currency were granted extension of time from March 15 to April 1, 1955, to file report on tin smelting in U. S., pursuant to S. Res. 254 (83d Cong., 2d sess.). **Pages 2776–2777**

Taxation: Senate continued on H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, adopting first committee amendment.

Pending at recess were modified Johnson (Texas) amendments to the bill and to second committee amendment, including provision for allowance of credit for personal exemptions. These modified Johnson amendments will be considered en bloc.

Pages 2794–2829, 2831–2832

Confirmations: 10 civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of George W. Perkins, of New York, to be U. S. permanent representative on the Council of NATO with rank of Ambassador; John von Neu-

mann, of New Jersey, to be a member of the AEC; Robert T. Ross, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense; George C. McConnaughey, of Ohio, to be a member of the FCC; and Clarence G. Morse, of California, to be a member of the Federal Maritime Board, along with 120 Coast Guard, 100 Army, 14 Navy, and 4 Marine Corps nominations.

Pages 2792–2793, 2833–2835

Nominations: 7 civilian and 213 Air Force nominations were received. Pages 2832–2833

Recess: Recessed at 6:34 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings on disposal of agricultural surpluses, subcommittee heard a discussion today regarding surplus of wheat and small grains from Ben Raskin, economist, and Lee A. Freeman, attorney, both of Daniel F. Rice & Co., Chicago. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Interior, the subcommittee heard testimony today from departmental witnesses on funds for the National Park Service from Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary of Public Land Management, Conrad L. Wirth, Director, and Hillory A. Tolson and Thomas J. Allen, Assistant Directors. In an afternoon session, the subcommittee heard Senators Langer and O'Mahoney; and Carlyle Onsrud, State welfare department, and John Hart, Indian affairs commission, both of North Dakota, testify in favor of appropriating adequate funds for maintenance of law and order on North Dakota Indian reservations.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the stock market study, committee heard testimony today from William McC. Martin, Chairman, accompanied by Ralph Young, Director of Research, both of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington. The witnesses discussed the extent of credit in the stock market, and basic factors which go into the imposition of margin requirements upon securities. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. JUDGES' SALARIES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Judiciary Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 727, to adjust the salaries of judges of municipal court of appeals for D. C. and the municipal court for the D. C.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, the committee had as its witness today Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: Reorganization Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security, to study the overall Government security mechanism, and to submit appropriate recommendations. Testimony today was heard from the following witnesses: Bernard F. Fitzsimons, director of security, Douglas Aircraft Co.; William B. Harrell, vice president, Dr. Walter Bartky, professor of mathematics, and Dr. George V. Leroy, professor of medicine, all of the University of Chicago; M. Stanley Livingston, chairman, Federation of American Scientists; and Leon Sachs, Jewish War Veterans. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 734, to provide penalties for threats against President-elect and Vice President; S. 600, relating to mailing of obscene matter; and S. 599, to prohibit transportation of obscene matters in interstate commerce;

The nomination of Lama A. DeMunbrun to be U. S. marshal for western district of Kentucky; and

Forty-one private immigration bills (S. 39, 128, 129, 131, 143, 163, 167, 195, 243, 244, 245, 246, 271, 309, 323, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 375, 378, 386, 394, 409, 412, 416, 429, 432, 465, 466, 471, 474, 481, 503, 585, 632, 640, 735, 891, and 1021); and an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

The committee indefinitely postponed 13 private immigration bills (S. 122, 132, 209, 221, 222, 285, 472, 505, 553, 563, 645, 646, 858).

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Unemployment Subcommittee continued its hearings into the cause or causes of unemployment in certain industries. Testimony, as indicated, was received from the following witnesses: Representative Van Zandt, accompanied by Harry Cox and James J. Servello, both unemployed railroad workers of Altoona, Pa., whose testimony related to the unemployment problem in the railroad industry in Pennsylvania; Representative Jennings, who discussed unemployment in the coal industry in his district of Virginia; and Harry See, national legislative representative, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, whose testimony was with particular reference to the effect of decreased carloadings of coal on railroad employment. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, with testimony from James L. Bossemeyer, representing National Association of Travel Organizations, who urged an overall expansion of the highway program; S. E. Wiseman, representing the American Toll Ways Authority, who favored an expanded toll ways system for the entire country; and Irving Reed, highway engineer, of Alaska, accompanied by Delegate Bartlett, who urged that Alaska be included in any expansion of the Federal highway program. Hearings continue Wednesday, March 16.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H. R. 4876–4897; 5 private bills, H. R. 4898–4902; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 252 and 253 and H. Res. 176, were introduced.

Pages 2835, 2839–2840, 2841

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 12, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, with respect to price supports for basic commodities, reported on March 11 (pt. II of H. Rept. 203);

H. R. 4876, the Treasury-Post Office Departments and U. S. Tax Court appropriation bill for 1956, reported on March 11 (H. Rept. 204);

H. J. Res. 252, making an additional appropriation for the Department of Justice for fiscal year 1955 (H. Rept. 205); and

H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 regarding utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes, amended (H. Rept. 206). Pages 2835, 2839

Justice—Appropriation: Adopted H. J. Res. 252, providing an additional $710,000 for the Department of Justice for fees and expenses of Government witnesses during balance of fiscal year 1955. Page 2835

Order of Business: Calendar Wednesday business, in order on March 16, was dispensed with pursuant to unanimous-consent request; also the calling of a recess was made in order at any time on Wednesday for the purpose of meeting Prime Minister Menzies of Australia. Page 2836

Judiciary—Investigation: Adopted an amendment that supplied new text for H. Res. 22, authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to conduct studies and investigations relating to matters within its jurisdiction, after which the House approved the resolution by a voice vote. Pages 2837–2838

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:22 p. m.

Committee Meetings

TOBACCO

Committee on Agriculture: The Abbitt subcommittee completed public hearings on its study of tobacco legislation after hearing testimony from the following—Representatives Burnside, Siler, Natcher, Hull, and Jenkins. Statements for the record were filed by Representatives Chelf, Alexander, Jones of North Carolina, and Shuford. It was announced, following the meeting, that all Members of Congress may file statements for the record if they so desire. Will meet in executive session tomorrow morning.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 met executively to further consider H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

RUBBER PLANTS

Committee on Armed Services: Continued public hearings relative to the report of the Rubber Disposal Commission regarding sale of Government-owned synthetic plants to private firms. Witnesses heard today were John L. Connally, secretary and general counsel, Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Co.; Jack B. Blalock, attorney at law, Houston, Tex., appearing for Edwin W. Pauley, of California; and Owen A. Kane, legislative attorney, Office of Comptroller General. In an afternoon session the committee heard testimony from Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant U. S. Attorney General, Antitrust Division; William S. Richardson, president, Goodrich-Gulf Co.; Tom Robbins, Jr., president, American Synthetic Rubber Corp.; John P. Coe, vice president, U. S. Rubber Co.; Harry H. Cahn, general counsel, Copolymer Co.; James E. Trainer, representing the Firestone Rubber Co.; Leland E. Spencer, assistant to president, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.; and William P. Gee, president, Texas-U. S. Chemical Co. The last-listed industrial witnesses spoke regarding the general copolymer industry. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

JUDGES' SALARIES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Considered amendments, in executive session, to H. R. 2986, to adjust salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court and D. C. municipal court of appeals. Took no final action, and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FAMILY COURTS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on the Judiciary held public hearings on H. R. 4624, to establish a family court in and for the District of Columbia. Testimony on the subject was received from D. C. Commissioner Samuel Spencer; Leonard P. Walsh, Chief Judge, D. C. municipal court; Chief Judge Bolitha James Laws and Judge Edward A. Tamm, both of the U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia; and various officials and representatives of civic and municipal organizations located in the District. Recessed on the subject until Wednesday afternoon.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation received public testimony today on behalf of H. R. 270, 3383, 3384, 2826, and 4488, relating to the upper Colorado River storage project. Witnesses heard were Senator Bennett, of Utah; John Bliss, State engineer of New Mexico and State commissioner on Upper Colorado River Commission; Tom Bolach, chairman of board, Upper Colorado River Grassroots, Inc., New Mexico; John Patrick Murphy, executive secretary, Middle Rio Grande Flood Control Association, New Mexico; Hubert T. Ball, chief engineer, Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District, New Mexico; I. J. Coury, New Mexico Interstate Streams Commission; George D. Clyde, Utah State commissioner, Upper Colorado River Commission; B. H. Stringham, Vernal, Utah; Charles J. Fain, assistant general manager, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; David Moffatt, Utah Power & Light Co.; and R. L. Patterson, Public Service Co. of Colorado. Recessed until Wednesday morning.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered favorably reported to the full committee 12 private immigration bills. Reported adversely on 13 others.

UNIFORM ALLOWANCES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Dowdy subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 3948, amended, to clarify the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act relative to enactment date.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Research and Development met in executive session for a discussion of the Air Force atomic reactor program. Witnesses participating today were Herbert H. Loper, Chairman, and Comdr. N. L. Nelson, both of the Military Liaison Committee; and Maj. Gen. Herbert B. Thatcher and Brig. Gen. D. J. Keirn, both of the Air Force. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

SUBCOMMITTEE PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Security met in executive session to discuss its future program, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

Tuesday, March 15, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed tax extension bill as reported by Senate Finance Committee.
House passed Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill.
Miscellaneous judicial and agricultural bills approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 2859–2875

Bills Introduced: 17 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1441–1457; S. Con. Res. 17; and S. Res. 78 and 79. **Pages 2863–2865**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 39, 128, 129, 131, 143, 167, 195, 243, 271, 323, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 375, 378, 386, 394, 409, 412, 416, 429, 432, 465, 466, 471, 474, 481, 585, and 632, private bills (S. Repts. 63–94);

S. 734, to provide penalties for threats against President-elect and Vice President (S. Rept. 95);

S. 735, 891, 1021, 163, 244, 245, 246, 503, 309, and S. Con. Res. 17, private bills (S. Repts. 96–105); and

H. J. Res. 252, making additional appropriations for Department of Justice for fiscal year 1955 (S. Rept. 106). **Pages 2863–2864**

Unemployment: Subcommittee on Unemployment of Committee on Labor and Public Welfare was authorized to meet while Senate is in session at any time during next 3 weeks. Page 2859

Taxes: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, after taking the following actions on amendments thereto:

Adopted: By 61 yeas to 32 nays, second committee amendment to eliminate section 4 providing allowance of $20 credit for each personal exemption, and section 5, consisting of technical amendments (motion to reconsider adoption of this amendment was tabled); and

Rejected: By 44 yeas to 50 nays, modified Johnson (Texas) amendments to the bill and to the second committee amendment proposing to extend present corporate and excise tax rates to July 1, 1957, to repeal a loophole in computing corporate taxes enacted in 1954 tax bill, to repeal accelerated depreciation and dividend provisions of the 1954 bill, and to allow a $20 tax credit for each taxpayer and a $10 credit for each dependent (motion to reconsider rejection of this amendment was tabled); Gore amendment adding new section providing for repeal of provision for credit against tax and exclusion from gross income for dividends received by individuals (by sustaining of Millikin point of order); and Langer amendment adding section to increase personal exemption to $800 for taxable years following December 31, 1954, and before January 1, 1956 (by sustaining of Knowland point of order).

Pages 2875–2909, 2909–2918

Nominations: 66 Foreign Service nominations and 154 postmaster nominations were received.

Pages 2870, 2929–2930

Recess: Recessed at 5:08 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses heard further testimony with regard to surpluses of wheat and small grains. Witnesses testifying today were Marion T. Weatherford, chairman, Oregon Wheat Commission, Pendleton, Oreg., and also representing National Association of Wheat Growers and Oregon Wheat Growers League; Archie M. Camp, president, North Pacific Grain Growers, Spokane, Wash.; William F. Brooks, executive secretary, National Grain Trade Council; and Herman Fakler, vice president, Millers National Federation. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Interior Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Interior Department. Testimony was heard today in behalf of funds for the administration of the Department from D. Otis Beasley, Administrative Assistant Secretary, Sidney D. Larson, Director of Division of Budget and Finance, and Dale L. Rothrock, Chief of Fiscal Section.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropritaions: In executive session, committee ordered favorably reported without amendments H. J. Res. 252, making additional appropriations for Department of Justice for fiscal year 1955.

NACA FUNDS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction met in executive session for consideration of H. R. 2581, to promote the national defense by authorizing the construction of aeronautical research facilities and the acquisition of land by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics necessary to the effective prosecution of aeronautical research. Witnesses participating in today's session were Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, Director of National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, and Brig. Gen. Donald J. Keirn, Office of Director of Research and Development, USAF. Subcommittee took no action and recessed subject to call.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee continued its hearings on the study of the stock market, and had as its witness today Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey. The Secretary testified as to influences of tax policy on the stock market, and discussed factors which he regarded as important to a healthy market. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, the committee heard testimony today from Senator Daniel; Gov. Raymond Gary, of Oklahoma; and W. M. Vaughey, president, Independent Petroleum Association of America, accompanied by Russell Brown, general counsel. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Reorganization continued its hearings on S. J. Res.

21, to establish a Commission on Government Security, to study the overall Government security mechanism, and to submit appropriate recommendations, with testimony from the following witnesses: Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., national vice president, ADA, Ernest Angell, chairman of board of directors, American Civil Liberties Union, David A. Rose, antidefamation league of B'nai B'rith, and Abraham J. Harris, chairman, Washington chapter, American Jewish Committee (who submitted a statement), all of whom favored the joint resolution; and Prof. McGeorge Bundy, dean of the faculty of arts and sciences of Harvard University, accompanied by Edward Reynolds, administrative vice president, who testified in general with reference to the university's policy toward Government security and handling of Government contracts.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations began hearings with regard to actions taken by Army personnel in the case of former Army Maj. Irving Peress. The subcommittee had as its witness today Maj. Floyd E. Van Sickle, Jr., Office of the Procurement Branch, Surgeon General's Office, First Army.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

POWER CONTRACTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held and concluded hearings regarding Hoover Dam power contract transactions of the Department of the Interior with the Citizen's Utility Co. supplying Kingman, Ariz., and California-Pacific Utilities Co. supplying Needles, Calif. Testimony was heard from the following witnesses: Senators Hayden and Goldwater; Dr. Francis M. Findlay, mayor of Kingman, Ariz.; Joseph McIntyre, mayor of Needles, Calif.; Milton S. Gould, Citizen's Utility Co.; E. G. Stoddard and Herbert L. Packard, both of California-Pacific Utilities Co.; Secretary Douglas McKay, Under Secretary Clarence A. Davis, Assistant Secretary Fred G. Aandahl, Special Assistant to the Solicitor William J. Burke, Los Angeles Regional Solicitor Richard J. Coffey, and Assistant Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation E. G. Nielson, all of the Department of the Interior; James M. Howard, Metropolitan Water District; and Harry Sturgis, Southern California Edison Co.

FILLING OF VACANCIES IN CONGRESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments held hearings on S. J. Res. 8, to amend the Constitution to authorize governors to fill temporarily vacancies in the Congress caused by a disaster. Testimony favoring the general principle of such legislation was received from Victor Cooley, Deputy Director, ODM; Herbert R. Gallagher, Assistant Administrator for Field Relations, Federal Civil Defense Administration; Charles McKinley, president, American Political Science Association; C. Herman Pritchett, University of Chicago; and C. D. Robson, University of North Carolina. The subcommittee also received written statements from several governors for inclusion in the record. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Unemployment Subcommittee continued its hearings into the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries. Testimony, as indicated, was heard from the following witnesses: Gov. Raymond Gary, of Oklahoma, who discussed unemployment in the oil industry; T. C. Carroll, president, Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, whose testimony related to the railroad unemployment problem; Larry Tierney, president, West Virginia Coal Association, who discussed unemployment problems in the coal industry; and Oscar R. Strackbein, chairman, Nationwide Committee for Industry, Agriculture, Labor on Import-Export Policy, who testified generally on unemployment. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, took the following actions:

(1) Ordered favorably reported to the Senate 120 postmaster nominations;

(2) Established a Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program (Senators Johnston, chairman, Neely, and Carlson); and

(3) Voted to reconsider and amend, so as to include investigation of postal rates, S. Res. 33, authorizing Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to make a study and investigation with respect to the administration of civil service system by the CSC and other Government agencies.

LEASE-PURCHASE PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, approved the following four lease-purchase projects under the jurisdiction of the GSA: Council Bluffs, Iowa, Lake Charles, La., and Rock Island, Ill.—post office and courthouse building; and Green Bay, Wis.—post office and Federal building.

The committee also ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 1217, to authorize Secretary of Army to contract with the city of McCormick, S. C., for the sale of water from Clark Hill Reservoir. This bill was approved subject to receipt of comments by the Department of the Army and Bureau of the Budget.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 57 public bills, H. R. 4903–4959; 17 private bills, H. R. 4960–4976; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 254 and 255, were introduced. Pages 2976–2978

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 4903, second supplemental appropriation bill for fiscal year 1955 (H. Rept. 207);

H. R. 3885, waiver of bond requirements in Coast Guard contracts, amended (H. Rept. 208); and

H. R. 4393, to provide for the construction and conversion of certain modern naval vessels, amended (H. Rept. 209). Page 2976

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Agricultural commodities: S. 942 (in lieu of H. R. 2123), to repeal the law providing for a revolving fund for the purchase of natural fibers and hides produced in the U. S. and processed in occupied areas and sold.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

California land: H. J. Res. 107, to permit Federal release of reversionary rights in certain acreage to Vineland School District of Kern County, Calif.

Alaska land leases: H. R. 607, to provide that lands reserved to the Territory of Alaska for educational purposes may be leased for period not in excess of 55 years.

Congressional witnesses' testimony: H. R. 780, invoking the aid of courts in compelling testimony of congressional witnesses.

Yakima Indians: H. R. 1801, to authorize the purchase, sale, and exchange of certain Indian lands on the Yakima Indian Reservation.

GI shipping relief: H. R. 2121, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Armed Forces who were required to pay certain transportation charges covering shipment of their household goods and personal effects upon return from overseas.

Alaska monument: H. R. 4046, to abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument.

Creek Indians: H. R. 4367, to provide for the distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Mineral resources: H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development.

Reclamation projects: H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies.

Brooklyn monument: H. R. 473, to authorize an investigation and report on the advisability of a national monument in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Objected to:

Antitrust: H. R. 3659, to increase criminal penalties under the Sherman Antitrust Act.

Passed over without prejudice:

Fungible commodity sales: H. R. 1831, to protect innocent purchasers of fungible goods. Pages 2931–2936

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 869, 881, 903, 906, 1003, 1016, 1020, 1048, 1072, 1082, 1099, 1101, 1116, 1130, 1134, 1171, 1189, 1192, 1328, 1401, 1404, 1409, 1416, 1490, 1638, 1640, 1664, 1665, 1692, 1719, 1866, 1885, 1906, 1913, 1921, 1933, 1941, 1943, 1953, 1957, 1965, 1989, 2057, 2236, 2279, 2284, 2289, 2316, 2348, 2354, 2366, 2456, 2529, 2707, 2709, 2736, 2760, 2907, 2936, 3045, 3178, 3361, 3362, 3363, 3364, 3365, 3366, 3367, 3512, 3638, 3639, 4044, 4191, and 4320.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. J. Res. 211, H. R. 989, 996, 1142, 1177, 1420, 1426, 1440, 1511, 1645, 1671, 1745, 1886, 1971, 1995, 2486, 2941, 3031, 3054, 3271, 3281, 3506, 3957, and 4288.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 1206.

Pages 2937–2952

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: After 3 hours of debate, the House, by a voice vote, passed H. R. 4876, making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments, and the Tax Court of the United States, for fiscal year 1956. Adopted an amendment correcting a typographical error in the bill.

The bill authorizes direct appropriations for the Post Office Department of $2,685,700,000; $595,818,000 for the Treasury Department; and $1,035,000 for the U. S. Tax Court, or a total of $3,282,553,000, a reduction of $77,697,000 in the budget estimates of direct appropriations. Pages 2952–2965

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:09 p. m.

Committee Meetings

ONIONS—RICE—TOBACCO

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 122, to include onions within the provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act;

H. R. 2839, to provide for reapportionment of rice acreage allotments voluntarily surrendered to the county committee;

H. R. 4356, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act with respect to rice allotment history;

H. R. 4756, to amend the tobacco marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act regarding establishment of State and farm acreage allotments;

H. R. 4757, to amend the tobacco marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act regarding proof of tobacco disposition reports.

RUBBER PLANTS

Committee on Armed Services: Held further hearings relative to the report of the Rubber Disposal Commission regarding sale of Government-owned synthetic plants to private firms. Testifying at today's session were Holman D. Pettibone, Chairman of the Rubber Disposal Commission, and representatives of Phillips Petroleum, Esso Standard Oil Co., and Shell Oil Co. In an afternoon session the committee heard Representative Doyle on his resolution, H. Res. 171, to disapprove proposed sale to Shell Oil Co. of certain synthetic rubber facilities as recommended by the Rubber Disposal Commission report. Also heard Eppes Wayles Browne, Jr., of Bethesda, Md., a former Federal employee. Subject to be continued in public hearing tomorrow.

TEXAS CITY TIN SMELTERS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held executive discussion regarding Texas City tin smelters.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed public sessions to hear Members of Congress discuss legislation in connection with proposals which would provide emergency financial assistance to States for school construction. Testifying today were Representatives Denton, Thompson of Michigan, and Reuss. Recessed until tomorrow morning when other Members are scheduled to testify.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session today on H. R. 4941, the Foreign Service bill. Recessed on the measure until tomorrow morning.

WATER AND LAND RESOURCES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Met with officials of the Bureau of the Budget for discussion of report of budget estimates relating to Federal programs and projects for conservation, development, or use of water and related land resources. Attending the session were Rowland Hughes, Director of the Budget; and Carl H. Schwartz, Jr., Chief, and Floyd Peterson, Assistant Chief, Resources and Civil Works Division.

NEWSPRINT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance concluded public hearings on its survey of the current newsprint situation. Witnesses heard at this session were Russell C. Flom, Assistant Administrator of Business and Defense Services Administration, Department of Commerce; W. Leroy Neubrech, Assistant Deputy Director, Pulp and Paper Division, Department of Commerce; Ira J. Mason, Chief, Division of Timber Management, Department of Agriculture; and Dr. G. E. Hilbert, Director, Utilization Research, Department of Agriculture.

AIR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications held further executive consideration on the subject of air navigational aids. Meeting with the group today were Dr. H. F. Skifter, president, Airborne Instruments Laboratories, Mineola, N. Y.; Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation; and F. B. Lee, Civil Aeronautics Administrator. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Adopted amendments to H. R. 3658, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the U. S. to recover damages under the antitrust laws; and ordered a clean bill to be introduced and reported to the House.

CLAIMS—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3557, relating to the settlement of claims for damage to, or loss or destruction of, property or personal injury or death caused by military personnel or certain civilian employees of the U. S., by removing certain limitations on the payment of such claims and the time within which such claims may be filed;

H. R. 3561, to amend further the act of 1942, entitled "An Act to provide for the prompt settlement of claims for damages occasioned by Army, Navy, and Marine Corps forces in foreign countries";

H. R. 3661, to amend section 490 of title 14, U. S. Code, relating to the settlement of claims of military and civilian personnel of the Coast Guard;

H. R. 3996, to amend further the Military Personnel Claims Act of 1945;

H. R. 4051, to provide for the relief of certain Army and Air Force nurses; and

Thirty-nine private immigrations bills and eleven private claim bills.

The committee also tabled 45 private immigration bills and 6 private claim bills.

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Concluded its present series of meetings with officials of the Fish and Wildlife Service (Interior) regarding activities and operations of the Service. Attending today's meeting were Arnie J. Suomela, Assistant Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; and Stillman Wright, Acting Chief, Office of Foreign Activities, who discussed international control and regulations of fisheries. Jack C.

Culbreath, Assistant Chief, Division of Information, Reports, and Publications, spoke on reports and publications of the agency. Recessed until tomorrow morning when they will meet with officials of the Coast and Geodetic Survey for similar discussions.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Chairman Philip Young, accompanied by other officials of the Civil Service Commission, presented the administration's proposal for Federal employee pay adjustments and improved management of top-level Government jobs. Appearing with Mr. Young were George M. Moore, Commissioner; Frederick J. Lawton, Commissioner; John W. Macy, Jr., Executive Director; Ismar Baruch, technical adviser; Robert S. Hare, Chief, Pay Systems Section; O. Glenn Stahl, Director, Bureau of Programs and Standards; Seymour S. Berlin, Chief, Program Planning Division; and Charles V. Denny, Jr., program planner, legislative, Program Planning Division.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when representatives of employee organizations are scheduled to testify.

Wednesday, March 16, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses heard Australian Prime Minister, and sent tax bill to conference.

Senate confirmed, by 71 to 11, nomination of John Marshall Harlan to be a Supreme Court Justice, and cleared for President bill making additional appropriations for Justice Department.

Senate Agriculture Committee approved miscellaneous bills.

Foreign Service Act amendments approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine proceedings, pages 2996–3008

Bills Introduced: 25 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1458–1482; S. J. Res. 56; S. Con. Res. 18; and S. Res. 80–82.

Pages 3000–3006, 3008–3011, 3040–3044

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1325, to amend the tobacco marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with regard to making false reports (S. Rept. 107);

S. 1326, to amend the tobacco marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, regarding the increasing of penalty rates, with amendment (S. Rept. 108);

S. 1436, to preserve the tobacco acreage history of farms which voluntarily withdraw from the production of tobacco (S. Rept. 109);

S. 1327, to amend the tobacco marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, concerning acreage history, with amendments (S. Rept. 110);

S. 1457, to redetermine the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year (S. Rept. 111);

S. 599, to prohibit transportation of obscene matters in interstate commerce (S. Rept. 112); and

S. 600, relating to mailing of obscene matter (S. Rept. 113). Pages 3000, 3039–3040

Bills Referred: 109 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 2997–2998

Justice Appropriations: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. J. Res. 252, making additional appropriations for Department of Justice ($710,000 for witness fees). Page 3011

Australian Prime Minister: Prime Minister Menzies of Australia visited the Senate Chamber and briefly addressed the Senate. Pages 3020–3021

Taxes: Senate insisted on its amendments to H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Byrd, George, Kerr, Millikin, and Martin (Pennsylvania). Page 3022

Confirmations: After debate, by 71 yeas to 11 nays, the nomination of John Marshall Harlan, of New York, to be an Associate Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court was confirmed. Also confirmed were 121 civilian nominations, including 120 postmasters.

Pages 3011–3020, 3022–3030, 3034–3036, 3044–3045

Nominations: Senate received the nominations of Allen Whitfield, of Iowa, to be member of the AEC; Ellis O. Briggs, of Maine, to be Ambassador to Peru; and of William S. B. Lacy, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Republic of Korea. Page 3044

Recess: Recessed at 7:03 p. m.

Committee Meetings

TOBACCO, VIRGIN ISLANDS, AND SOIL CONSERVATION

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendment S. 1326, to amend the tobacco marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, regarding the increasing of penalty rates; with amendments S. 1327, to amend the tobacco marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, concerning acreage history; and without amendment S. 1166, regarding importation of livestock and poultry into the Virgin Islands; S. 1167, to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act; S. 1325, to amend the tobacco marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with regard to making false reports; S. 1436, to preserve the tobacco acreage history of farms which voluntarily withdraw from the production of tobacco; and S. 1457, to redetermine the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year. The committee also ordered favorably reported (pending comments from farm organizations or others) S. 46, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 so as to exempt certain wheat producers from liability under the act where all the wheat crop is fed or used for seed on the farm.

The chairman was authorized to appoint subcommittees, as follows: (1) Subcommittee to study and hold hearings on S. 23, 138, 493, 546, and 624, bills to relieve innocent purchasers of CCC's fungible goods from liability, (2) subcommittee to study and hold hearings on S. 661, to permit CCC to process food commodities for donation under certain acts, and (3) subcommittee to study and hold hearings on S. 1165, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act by including in the premiums administrative costs of the program.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Interior Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Interior Department, and received testimony today in support of funds for the Bureau of Mines from Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources; and John J. Forbes, Director, Thomas H. Miller, Acting Deputy Director, Paul Zinner, Acting Assistant Director for Programs, James Westfield, Assistant Director for Health and Safety, and Clifford W. Seibel, Assistant Director for Helium Activities, all of the Bureau of Mines. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved the following projects: (1) Utilization of $14,400,000 for the construction of ammunition storage igloos at Anniston Ordnance Depot, Ala. (subject to determination by Attorney General that the authorization is adequate), and (2) $265,000 for construction of open storage facilities at Rocky Mountain Arsenal, Colo.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the study of the stock market, the committee heard testimony today from Dorsey Richardson, chairman, National Association of Investment Companies, New York. Mr. Richardson testified as to the influence of investment companies on market purchases and sales, and to policies followed by investment companies in acquiring or disposing of portfolio securities. He also discussed the sales practices of investment companies.

Also testifying today was Joseph A. Livingston, financial editor of the Philadelphia Bulletin, who discussed the extent of speculative activities, use of credit in the market, stock option plans, and recommendations for congressional legislation regarding the over-the-counter market and capital-gains tax.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, and received testimony today from Senator Watkins; Miles P. Romney, manager, Utah Mining Association; William L. Batt, of Philadelphia; J. G. Lerch, American Producers; Norman Zukowsky, International Handbag, Luggage, Belt, and Novelty Workers Union, in behalf of Ossip Walinsky, international president; John Breckinridge, Pin, Clip & Fastener Association; Karl D. Loos, California Almond Growers Exchange, California Walnut Growers Association, Northwest Nut Growers, Oregon Filbert Commission, and Sunkist Growers, Inc.; Gordon W. Sprague, Western Condensing Co.; Frank Masterson, president, Industrial Fasteners Institute; and Martin A. Fromer, counsel, Cheese Importers Association of America, Inc. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: Continuing its hearings on S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security, to study the overall Government security mechanism, and to submit appropriate recommendations, the Subcommittee on Reorganization heard testimony today from the following witnesses: Philip Young, Chairman of the CSC, who discussed the functions and responsibilities of the Civil Service Commission in connection with Federal employment security

programs; and Vice Adm. Alfred Richmond, Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard, who testified on procedures used on port security programs. A statement favoring enactment of S. J. Res. 21 was submitted for the record by Will Maslow, representing the American Jewish Congress. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings with regard to actions taken by Army personnel in the case of former Army major, Irving Peress. Witnesses testifying today were Curtis R. Kirkland, former Army captain, First Army; Maj. William O. Prettyman, former Assistant Chief of the Personnel Actions Branch, Office of the Surgeon General; Willard B. Stambaugh, a former Army major; Lt. Col. Ronald F. Thomas, formerly Chief of the Counter-Intelligence Division, G–2, Army; and Lt. Col. James N. Anders, Chief, Personnel Security Branch, G–2, Army. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT, COLORADO

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee began hearings on S. 300, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project, Colorado. Testimony was received today from the following witnesses, all of whom were proponents of the bill: Gov. Edwin C. Johnson, of Colorado (who submitted a statement for the record); Senator Allott; Representative Chenoweth; Assistant Secretary Fred G. Aandahl, E. G. Nielson, Assistant Commissioner of Reclamation, N. B. Bennett, Chief of Project Development, Reclamation, Rudolph J. Walter, regional director, and Emil V. Lindseth, assistant regional director, both of region 7, Reclamation, and Richard Witmer, for Department legislative counsel—all of the Interior Department; H. H. Christy, engineer, Colorado Fuel & Iron Co.; C. J. Beise, attorney, Water Development Association, southeastern Colorado; Ivan Crawford, director, Colorado State Water Board; Charles Fain, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; Leo Goodman, CIO legislative committee; Frank Hoffman, United Steel Workers Union, CIO; James Kane, of Salida, Colo., local executive of REA; L. R. Patterson and W. C. Porter, representing Public Service Co. of Colorado and Southern Colorado Power Co.; Ted Ryan and Roy Cooper, valley farmers and ditch-company directors; George White, Jack Morrison, and Fay Frazier, Pueblo representatives of CIO and AFL; Selby Young and Sidney Nichols, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Harry Reece, La Junta, Colo., Chamber of Commerce; Dan Hunter, western Colorado; George Everett, Salida, soil conservation associations; Simon Elliott, Pueblo water districts; and F. S. Hoag, Jr., a newspaper editor, on behalf of himself and D. P. Ducy, former president of Southeast Colorado Water Development Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS—ELECTORAL REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments began hearings on S. J. Res. 3, 9, 10, 27, 30, and 31, proposals for changing method of selecting the President and Vice President of the U. S. Testimony today was heard, as follows: Senator Daniel, who testified in behalf of his bill, S. J. Res. 31; Senator Mundt, who favored enactment of S. J. Res. 3, of which he is a cosponsor; and Senator Sparkman, who favored S. J. Res. 30 and 31, of both of which bills he is a cosponsor. General testimony on this proposed legislation was heard from C. Herman Pritchett, chairman, department of political science, University of Chicago; and C. D. Robson, chairman, department of political science, University of North Carolina. Hearings continue Friday, March 18.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Unemployment continued its hearings into the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries. Testimony was received from Representative Reuss; Gov. William C. Marland, of West Virginia, who discussed unemployment in the coal, glass, and pottery industries; Michael Fox, railway employees department, AFL, who directed his remarks to unemployment problems in the railroad industry; Charles H. Lyons, Sr., an independent petroleum producer, of Shreveport, La., and J. P. Coleman, president, National Stripper Well Association, Wichita Falls, Tex., both of whom testified with regard to unemployment in the oil industry; and B. B. Housman, secretary, Pocahontas Operators Association, Bluefield, W. Va., and George J. Titler, president, UMW, district 29, Beckley, W. Va., who discussed unemployment problems faced by the coal industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Public Roads Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, with testimony today from Secretary of Commerce Weeks, who submitted further testimony in behalf of S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the national system of interstate highways, and to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act. Subcommittee also heard testimony from James J. Nance, president of Automobile Manufacturers Association, and president of Studebaker-Packard Corp., who favored the provisions of S. 1160 and stated that needed highway modernization is a capital investment, and therefore credit financing is both practical and prudent as the returns will be far in excess of the cost of the needed highways. Hearings continue Friday, March 18.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 33 public bills, H. R. 4977–5009; 21 private bills, H. R. 5010–5030; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 94–96, and H. Res. 177–179, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 92, providing for expenses of conducting studies and investigations by Committee on Foreign Affairs as authorized by H. Res. 91 (H. Rept. 210);

H. Res. 117, to provide funds for the investigations and studies made by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce pursuant to H. Res. 105 (H. Rept. 211);

S. 913, to eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of the Senate, amended (H. Rept. 212);

H. Con. Res. 85, authorizing the printing as a House document the pamphlet, Our American Government, What Is It? How Does It Function? (H. Rept. 213);

H. Con. Res. 90, authorizing the preparation and printing of a report on the Prayer Room established in the Capitol, amended (H. Rept. 214);

H. Con. Res. 91, authorizing the printing of additional copies of hearings held by the Committee on Government Operations on the organization and administration of the military research and development programs (H. Rept. 215);

H. Con. Res. 93, authorizing the reprinting of House Document 210 (83d Cong.) entitled "How Our Laws Are Made" (H. Rept. 216);

S. Con. Res. 9, to print for the use of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary additional copies of certain parts of the hearings on Interlocking Subversion in Government Departments (H. Rept. 217);

H. Res. 177, authorizing the printing of 1,000 additional copies of the hearings on the Agriculture Department appropriation bill for the use of the Committee on Appropriations (H. Rept. 218);

H. J. Res. 250, to amend the joint resolution of March 25, 1953, relating to electrical or mechanical office equipment for the use of Members, officers, and committees of the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 219);

H. R. 4534, to amend the act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts (H. Rept. 220);

H. Res. 179, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 regarding the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes (H. Rept. 221);

H. R. 2839, reapportionment of voluntarily surrendered rice acreage allotments (H. Rept. 222);

H. R. 4356, rice allotment history amendments (H. Rept. 223); and

H. R. 4644, to increase the rates of basic salary of postmasters, officers, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service, and to eliminate certain salary inequities (H. Rept. 224). Pages 3045–3047, 3071–3072

Administrative Resolutions: Considered and adopted the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

Foreign Affairs studies: H. Res. 92, to provide $75,000 for expenses of conducting studies and investigations made by the Committee on Foreign Affairs as authorized by H. Res. 91.

Interstate and Foreign Commerce: H. Res. 117, to provide $60,000 for the investigations and studies made by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce pursuant to H. Res. 105.

Congressional employees: S. 913, to eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of the Senate (amended to also apply to employees of the House).

Printing: H. Con. Res. 85, authorizing the printing as a House document the pamphlet, Our American Government, What Is It? How Does It Function?

Congressional chapel: H. Con. Res. 90, authorizing the preparation and printing of a report on the Prayer Room established in the Capitol (amended to require the Architect of the Capitol to prepare the report in lieu of the Legislative Reference Service).

Printing: H. Con. Res. 91, authorizing the printing of 2,000 additional copies of hearings held by the Committee on Government Operations on the organization and administration of the military research and development programs (amended to provide for 2,000 additional copies in lieu of 1,000).

Printing: H. Con. Res. 93, authorizing the reprinting of House Document 210 of the 83d Congress entitled "How Our Laws Are Made" (amended to provide for 100,000 additional copies in lieu of 50,000).

Printing: S. Con. Res. 9, to print 20,000 additional copies of certain parts of the hearings on Interlocking Subversion in Government Departments for the use of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

Printing: H. Res. 177, authorizing the printing of 1,000 additional copies of the Department of Agriculture appropriation hearings for the use of the Committee on Appropriations.

House office equipment: H. J. Res. 250, to amend Public Law 10 (83d Cong.) so as to remove limitation on number of electric typewriters a Member, committee, or officer of the House of Representatives may purchase. Pages 3045–3046

Late Reports: The Committee on Armed Services was granted permission to file, by midnight Thursday, certain reports. Page 3047

Committee Resignation: Received letter of Representative Haley resigning from membership on the Committee on House Administration. Page 3047

Committee Election: Adopted H. Res. 178, electing Representative Haley to membership on the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Page 3047

Taxes: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, and to provide a $20 credit against the individual income tax for each personal exemption; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooper, Dingell, Mills, Reed of New York, and Jenkins. Page 3047

Australian Prime Minister: The House recessed and heard a brief address by Prime Minister Menzies of Australia, who was escorted to and from the Chamber by Representatives McCormack, Martin, Richards, and Vorys. Pages 3069–3070

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:21 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MEXICAN FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings subcommittee began hearings today on H. R. 3822, which would extend the Mexican farm labor program authorized by Public Law 78 (82d Cong.). Rocco C. Siciliano, Assistant Secretary of Labor, testified in support of the proposal, recommending its extension for 4½ years to June 30, 1960. He also suggested other amendments. Other witnesses were Earl M. Hughes, Administrator, Commodity Stabilization Service, Department of Agriculture; Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau Federation; John J. Riggle, National Council of Farm Cooperatives; Fred Bailey, legislative consultant, National Grange; and Max Miller, representing the Arkansas Labor Users. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

RUBBER PLANT DISPOSALS

Committee on Armed Services: Voted to report adversely to the House—

H. Res. 170, to declare that the House of Representatives does not favor sale of the facilities as recommended in the report of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission submitted to the Congress on January 24, 1955; and

H. Res. 171, to disapprove proposed sale to Shell Oil Co. of certain synthetic rubber facilities as recommended by the Rubber Dosposal Commission report.

SPANISH BASES

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert Subcommittee on Investigations discussed Air Force construction of Spanish bases today with Harold E. Talbott, Secretary of the Air Force. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

FAMILY COURT

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Harris subcommittee resumed its hearings on H. R. 4624, to establish a family court in and for the District of Columbia. Witnesses heard on the subject were Chief Judge Leonard P. Walsh, D. C. municipal court; Judge Edward A. Tamm, U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia; and Edward Bennett Williams, D. C. Bar Association. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Members of Congress testified today in connection with pending proposals to provide emergency financial assistance to States for school construction. Appearing at the session were Representatives Harris and Hays, of Arkansas; and Johnson of California. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Voted to report to the House H. R. 4941, the Foreign Service Act Amendments of 1955.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Proponent testimony was received by the Aspinall subcommittee during today's hearing on upper Colorado River storage projects. Witnesses testifying were Senator Barrett and Senator O'Mahoney, of Wyoming; Charles J. Fain, assistant general manager, National Rural Co-op Association; L. R. Patterson, Public Service Co. of Colorado; David Moffatt, Utah Power & Light Co.; Edward D. Crippa, personal representative of Gov. Milward L. Simpson, of Wyoming; H. T. Person, dean of the College of Engineering, University of Wyoming; Paul Rechard, chief of water development, Wyoming Natural Resources Board; G. E. Untermann, director, Utah Field House of Natural History, Vernal, Utah; Dr. J. Leroy Kay, curator of vertebrate paleontology, Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Herbert F. Smart, member, Utah State Land Board; William Zimmerman, Association of American Indians; Angus McDonald, legislative assistant, National Farmers Union; Sam Ahkeah, chairman, Navaho Tribal Council; Howard Gorman and Grey Valentine, council members; and Mr. Yellowstone, Navaho farmer and member of the council's advisory committee. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

AIRLINE CERTIFICATES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2225, with minor

amendments, a bill to grant permanent certificates to local-service airlines.

RADIO CALL SELECTORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications announced postponement until Monday, March 21, its hearing scheduled for tomorrow on H. R. 4090, re the installation of radio call selectors on cargo ships.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported favorably to the full committee 19 private claim bills. Reported adversely on 11 others.

COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Discussed the activities and operations of the Coast and Geodetic Survey today with Capt. I. E. Rittenburg, Assistant Director for Administration. Recessed until tomorrow morning when consideration will be given to H. R. 4897, to establish a trout hatchery on Northfork River, Ark.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Officials of employee organizations testified at today's hearing on legislation to adjust the salaries of Federal employees. The witnesses were James A. Campbell, president of the American Federation of Government Employees; and Luther G. Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees. Recessed until tomorrow morning when similar-type witnesses are scheduled to testify.

DONABLE PROPERTY

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. The rule also permits a committee substitute text, in lieu of the original bill, for the purposes of amendment. Representatives McCormack (author of the bill) and Jonas of North Carolina testified.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Considered a rule for H. R. 2535, to admit Hawaii and Alaska into the Union. Further action on the proposal was put over until tomorrow morning's meeting. Witnesses heard at today's session were Representative Engle (author of the bill) and Delegates Farrington, of Hawaii, and Bartlett, of Alaska.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: A subcommittee interrogated five witnesses today in connection with communistic activities in youth movements in the New York City area. Each refused to answer questions relating to any participation or association with Communist Party activities, invoking their constitutional privilege of refusing to answer. The witnesses were Leon Wofsky, Joseph Bucholt, Robert Fogel, Ernest Parent, and Sam Engler. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation met with representatives of the AEC and the State Department in executive session today to discuss U. S. participation in the international conference on peacetime uses of atomic energy to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, August 8–20 of this year.

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HIGHLIGHTS

House passed bill on donation of surplus Federal property to schools and hospitals.

Bill to increase criminal penalties under antitrust law cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, March 18, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUSES OF WHEAT AND RICE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses continued its

hearings, with testimony today from Jack L. Smith, National Association of Wheat Growers, chairman of Federal agriculture committee, Oregon, and representing Wheat Growers League, Condon, Oreg., who discussed surpluses of wheat; and H. G. Chalkley, president, Sweet Lake Land & Oil Co., Inc., Lake Charles, La., whose testimony dealt with rice surpluses. Hearings continue Friday, March 25.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of the Interior, subcommittee heard testimony today in behalf of funds for the Bureau of Indian Affairs from Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management, Glenn L. Emmons, Commissioner, W. Barton Greenwood, Assistant Commissioner for Administration, Selene Gifford, Assistant Commissioner for Community Services, Ervin J. Utz, Assistant Commissioner for Resources, Hildegard Thompson, Chief of Branch of Education, and Evan L. Flory, Chief of Branch of Soil Conservation, all of Interior Department. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee began hearings on H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. Testimony was heard today from the following witnesses: Senator Mansfield; Secretary of Defense Wilson; Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff; Charles A. Hook, Chairman, Advisory Commission on Military Pay; Secretary of the Army Stevens; Assistant Secretary of the Navy Pratt; Secretary of the Air Force Talbott; Assistant Secretary of the Air Force Burgess; Maj. Gen. R. N. Young, Assistant Chief of Staff for Personnel, Army; Vice Adm. J. L. Holloway, Chief of Naval Personnel; Maj. Gen. Morris J. Lee, Director of Personnel Planning, Air Force; and Brig. Gen. N. H. Nelson, Assistant Chief of Staff for Personnel, Marine Corps. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the study of the stock market, the committee today heard testimony from Ferdinand Eberstadt, a partner of F. Eberstadt & Co., investment bankers, New York, and president of Chemical Fund, Inc., a mutual investment company. This witness explained to the committee the operations of his company, and presented his views as to various phases and methods of operation of the stock market.

The committee also received testimony from James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer, CIO, who presented a detailed examination of the stock market's relationship to the national economy.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

RUBBER-PRODUCING FACILITIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization met in executive session and took the following actions:

(1) Agreed, by a vote of 4 to 1, to report adversely to the full committee S. Res. 76, disapproving the sale of the facilities as recommended in the report of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission;

(2) Disapproved, by a vote of 3 to 2, a motion to reject S. Res. 78 and 79, disapproving the sale of three synthetic rubber plants in California (plancors 963, 929, and 611); and

(3) Unanimously agreed to report in principle to the full committee S. 691, to reopen negotiations for the sale of the copolymer plant at Baytown, Tex.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Testimony was heard today from Senator Thurmond; Claudius Murchison, the American Cotton Manufacturers Institute, Inc.; William F. Sullivan, National Association of Cotton Manufacturers; W. Ray Bell, the Association of Cotton Textile Merchants of New York; Howard Richmond, Tariff Committee of the Velveteen Industry; Roy A. Cheney, Underwear Institute and the Work Glove Institute; Irene Blunt, the National Federation of Textiles, Inc.; Arthur M. Klurfeld, Textile Fabrics Association; Solomon Barkin, Textile Workers Union of America; A. J. Creshkoff, AVC; Dean M. Lewis, Silk & Rayon Printers & Dyers Association of America, Inc.; B. H. Lerner, National Association of Blouse Manufacturers; and John B. Hussey, commissioner of conservation, State of Louisiana. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Reorganization continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security, to study the overall Government security mechanism, and to submit appropriate recommendations, with testimony in favor of the bill presented by Thomas D. Harris, associate general counsel, CIO; Joseph Amann, president, Engineers and Scientists of America; Ernest Angell, American Civil Liberties Union; and Lincoln Lauterstein, chairman of national affairs, AVC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT, COLORADO

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued its hearings on S. 300, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project, Colorado, with testimony favoring enactment of the bill from Charles Boustead, member of Pueblo City Council and President of Pueblo Chamber of Commerce. Hearings continue Friday, March 25.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Unemployment Subcommittee continued its hearings into the cause or causes of unemployment in certain industries. Testimony today was heard from Representative Burnside, who discussed unemployment in the coal industry; Harry A. Moss, Jr., executive secretary, American Knit Handwear Association, Inc., whose testimony was directed to unemployment problems in the knit handwear industry; and Miles P. Romney, manager, Utah Mining Association, Salt Lake City, who testified regarding unemployment in the lead and zinc industries. Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections met in executive session, following which it announced that it would hold hearings on S. 636, Federal Elections Act of 1955. These hearings are scheduled for April 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, and 27.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H. R. 5031–5040; 5 private bills, H. R. 5041–5045; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 256 and 257, and H. Res. 180, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

(Adverse) H. Res. 170, to declare that the House of Representatives does not favor sale of the facilities as recommended in the report of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission submitted to Congress on January 24, 1955 (H. Rept. 225);

H. Res. 180, rule providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 3659, to increase criminal penalties under the Sherman Antitrust Act (H. Rept. 226); and

(Adverse) H. Res. 171, to disapprove proposed sale to Shell Oil Co. of certain synthetic rubber facilities as recommended by the Rubber Disposal Commission report (H. Rept. 227). Page 3113

Donable Property: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. Prior to its passage the bill was amended by the adoption of a committee substitute amendment that supplied new language.

H. Res. 179, the rule for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted earlier. Pages 3095–3104

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:59 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MEXICAN FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings Subcommittee on Manpower continued public hearings on H. R. 3822, to extend permanently the Mexican farm labor program authorized by Public Law 78 (82d Cong.). Testifying on the proposed extension were Representative Gubser, of California; J. Banks Young, National Cotton Council; Allan C. Devaney, Assistant Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service; William H. Tolbert, California Farm Labor Association; Bruce Sanborn, president, California Farm Production Association; George Lyon, Vegetable Growers of California; Max Henderson, Michigan Farm Labor Association; Alan Patteson, representing the Agricultural Council of Arkansas; Leland J. Yost, Coachella Valley Farmers Association, Thermal, Calif.; and Miss Louise Stitt, National Consumers League for Fair Color Standards.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 1 resumed executive consideration of amendments to H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve forces. Will continue on same subject Monday morning.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Representatives Harris, of Arkansas, and Hyde, of Maryland, testified today in connection with proposed legislation to provide emergency financial assistance to States for school construction. Committee recessed on the subject until next Tuesday, when Secretary Hobby, of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, is scheduled to testify.

FAR EAST-PACIFIC

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on the Far East and the Pacific met for executive discussion today with the following State Department officials—William J. Sebald, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Far Eastern Affairs; Walter P. McConaughy, Director of the Office of Chinese Affairs; Henry B. Day, Acting Director, Office of Philippine and Southeast Asian Affairs; and Samuel T. Parelman, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Far Eastern Affairs.

IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs resumed its discussion with Gen. J. M. Swing, Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, regarding the reorganization of that agency which took effect on January 3, 1955. The Commissioner was interrogated by the subcommittee relative to his statement of March 10, when he told the subcommittee that the reorganization would decentralize the Service, accomplish a savings of about $500,000 annually, and improve operational efficiency. Since being put into effect, a number of objections have been voiced against the plan. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL SURPLUS COMMODITIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Fountain Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations held a hearing to consider distribution cost of school surplus commodities donated by the Department of Agriculture to schools and institutions in Illinois. Testifying on the subject was Vernon L. Nickell, Illinois superintendent of public instruction, accompanied by Assistant Superintendent Wolfe, head of the State school-lunch program. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee heard opposition testimony today on H. R. 270, 2836, 3383, 3384, and 4488, bills relating to the upper Colorado River storage projects. The witnesses were Gen. U. S. Grant III, representing the American Planning & Civic Association; Leslie A. Miller, former Governor of Wyoming; and David Brower, representing the Sierra Club. In an afternoon session the witnesses were interrogated in connection with their statements of opposition. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Health and Science approved for reporting to the entire committee H. J. Res. 256, relating to mental health. This measure, which supersedes the amended version of the original bill, H. J. Res. 230, will be considered by the entire committee tomorrow morning in executive session. Prior to this meeting a public session will be conducted to hear representatives of the Air Coordinating Committee on Civil Air Policy matters.

OBSCENE LITERATURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held a hearing on H. R. 321, 3333, and 3997, bills relating to transportation of obscene literature in interstate or foreign commerce. Witnesses heard were Representative Thompson of Michigan, author of H. R. 3333; Representative Keating, author of H. R. 3997; and Abe McGregor Goff, Solicitor, Post Office Department.

OATHS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 4221, amended, to amend title 18 of the U. S. Code, relating to administering oaths and taking acknowledgments by officials of Federal penal and correctional institutions.

ARKANSAS HATCHERY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held a hearing, but took no action, on H. R. 4897, to provide for the establishment of a trout hatchery immediately below Norfolk Dam on Northfork River, Ark. Representative Trimble, author of the bill, testified in support of its enactment, along with Thomas B. Tinnon, Mountain Home, Ark.; Arkansas State representative Hugh Hackley; and Charles Snapp and Joe Scheffield, members of the Arkansas Fish and Game Commission. Recessed until next Tuesday when officials of the Coast Guard are scheduled for a meeting on the activities and operations of that service.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued hearings on proposed legislation to increase salaries of classified Federal employees, receiving further testimony from representatives of employee groups, as follows—Dillard B. Lasseter, executive officer, Organization of Professional Employees of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; Paul H. Robbins, executive director, National Society of Professional Engineers; George Riley, member, National Legislation Committee, AFL; John A. Cranage, president, National Association of U. S. Storekeeper-Gaugers; Ross A. Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees' Council; A. F. Beiter, president, National Customs Service Association; and Thomas Maddock, National Association of Federal Mechanics. A statement for the record was filed by Russell M. Stephens, president, American Federation of Technical Engineers. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

ANTITRUST—HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 3659, to increase criminal penalties under the Sherman antitrust law. Representative Celler, author of the bill, spoke on its behalf.

Continued consideration of a rule on H. R. 2535, Hawaii-Alaska statehood bill. Representatives Miller of Nebraska and Saylor testified. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

VETERANS' HOUSING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Housing conducted a hearing on H. R. 98, 145, 491, 2626, and 4365, similar bills relating to increasing the

maximum amount of guaranty on farm realty loans. Testifying on the proposed subject were Representative Thornberry, author of H. R. 491; John Williamson, of the National Association of Real Estate Boards; officials of the Veterans' Administration; and representatives of the American Legion, VFW, DAV, and AMVETS.

TAX ACCOUNTING

Committee on Ways and Means: Opposition was presented today to enactment of H. R. 4725, calling for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954—relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses. Heard against the proposal were J. S. Seidman, chairman, committee on Federal taxation, American Institute of Accountants; Paul D. Seghers, chairman, committee on Federal tax legislation, Federal Tax Forum; George H. Kitendaugh, vice chairman, committee on taxation, National Association of Manufacturers; Richard B. Barker, representing the finance committee of the Association of Cotton Textile Merchants of New York, Inc.; E. M. Fuller, chairman, committee on taxation, American Cotton Manufacturers Institute; Charles W. Tye, tax consultant, representing the National Association of Insurance Agents; and Frank J. Moch, representing the National Alliance of Television & Electronics Service Associations. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted 10 resolutions authorizing funds for various studies and investigations, and took up cotton acreage allotment bill.

House passed supplemental appropriation bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3120–3137

Bills Introduced: 24 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1483–1506. Page 3129

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1166, regarding importation of livestock and poultry into the Virgin Islands (S. Rept. 114); and

S. 1167, to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act (S. Rept. 115). Pages 3125–3126

Bills Referred: One House-passed bill and 2 House-passed concurrent resolutions were referred to appropriate committees. Page 3119

Printing Resolutions: Senate adopted without amendment two printing resolutions, as follows: H. Con. Res. 91, authorizing the printing of additional copies of hearings held by the House Committee on Government Operations on the organization and administration of the military research and development programs; and H. Con. Res. 93, authorizing the reprinting of House Document 210 (83d Cong.) entitled "How Our Laws Are Made." Page 3137

House Office Equipment: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. J. Res. 250, to remove limitation on number of electric typewriters a Member, committee, or officer of the House of Representatives may purchase. Page 3137

Government Reorganization: Senate further insisted upon its amendments to H. R. 2576, to amend the Reorganization Act, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before April 1, 1957. Pages 3119–3120

Appropriations Committee Meetings: Committee on Appropriations was authorized to meet when necessary during Senate sessions. Page 3120

Committee Expenditures: Senate adopted 10 resolutions authorizing expenditures for various committees, as follows:

S. Res. 57, authorizing Committee on Banking and Currency, until January 31, 1956, to expend additional funds of $100,000 to study Federal housing programs, with committee amendment;

S. Res. 58, to increase further the limit of expenditures by Subcommittee on Internal Security of Committee on the Judiciary ($260,000); this resolution was adopted after reported amendments of Committee on Rules and Administration to the reported amendment of the Committee on the Judiciary were adopted, and the committee amendment, as amended, was adopted;

S. Res. 63, authorizing expenditure of $58,500 by Committee on the Judiciary for an examination and review of the administration of the Trading With the Enemy Act, with committee amendments;

S. Res. 64, authorizing expenditure of $36,500 by Committee on the Judiciary to investigate problems

connected with emigration of refugees from Communist tyranny to certain Western European nations, with committee amendments;

S. Res. 65, authorizing expenditure of $13,600 by Committee on the Judiciary, or the standing Subcommittee on National Penitentiaries, in holding hearings and making investigations insofar as they relate to national penitentiaries, after adoption of committee amendment and of Ellender amendment to the text of resolution to reduce authorized expenditures from $13,600 to $8,672.79;

S. Res. 66, authorizing expenditure of $102,000 by the Committee on the Judiciary in holding hearings and making investigations (immigration and naturalization);

S. Res. 67, authorizing expenditure of $30,000 by Committee on the Judiciary to make a study of the narcotics problem in the U. S.;

S. Res. 70, authorizing Committee on Public Works from March 1, 1955, to January 31, 1956, to expend not more than $100,000 in holding hearings and making investigations;

S. Res. 61, authorizing expenditure of $200,000 by Committee on the Judiciary for a study of the antitrust laws of the U. S. and their administration, interpretation, and effect, after adoption of Ellender amendment to reduce authorized expenditures from $250,000 to $200,000; and

S. Res. 62, authorizing expenditure of $125,000 by Committee on the Judiciary to conduct a full and complete study of juvenile delinquency in the U. S., after adoption of committee amendments and Ellender amendment to reduce authorized expenditures from $154,000 to $125,000 and to terminate the study on July 31, 1955, instead of January 31, 1956.

Pages 3165–3168, 3173–3188

Cotton Acreage: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 3952, providing for an increase in the 1955 national cotton acreage allotments of approximately 258,000 acres. Page 3189

Confirmation—Comptroller General: After debate, the nomination of Joseph Campbell, of New York, to be Comptroller General of the U. S., was confirmed by voice vote. Pages 3142–3157, 3164–3165

Recess: Recessed at 7:02 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of the Interior, with further testimony today in behalf of funds for the Bureau of Indian Affairs from Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary for Public Land Management, W. Barton Greenwood, Assistant Commissioner for Administration, Selene Gifford, Assistant Commissioner for Community Services, Ervin J. Utz, Assistant Commissioner for Resources, Hildegard Thompson, Chief of Branch of Education, and Evan L. Flory, Chief of Branch of Soil Conservation, all of Interior Department. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

MILITARY PAY

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open hearings on H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. Testimony was heard today from the following witnesses: Capt. F. O. Willenbucher, executive vice president, Retired Officers Association, and national counsel, Commissioned Officers Association of the Public Health Service; Miles D. Kennedy, director, national legislation commission, American Legion; Bernard Weitzer, national legislation director, Jewish War Veterans; M. S. Stevenson, national commander, Disabled Officers Association; Larry Cates, Air Line Pilots Association; Charles E. Lofgren, national secretary, Fleet Reserve Association; Dr. Leslie W. Knott, medical director, U. S. Public Health Service; Adm. E. W. Grenfell, Chairman of Interservice Committee (Career Task Force); Capt. David L. Martineau, Navy; and Col. Frank P. Corbin, Air Force. Committee recessed subject to call.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continuing its hearings on the study of the stock market, committee today heard testimony from Harlow H. Curtice, president, chief executive officer, and director, and Albert Bradley, executive vice president, and director and chairman of financial policy committee, both of General Motors Corp., Detroit, who discussed the policies of General Motors with respect to its stock bonus and pension plans, the issuance of new equity securities, and pricing practices in the automotive industry. Hearings continue Monday, March 21.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, and concluded hearing testimony from representatives of industry, as follows: Charles P. Taft, Committee for a National Trade Policy; Donald M. Sullivan, Independent Oilmen's Association of New England; B. B. Jennings, Socony Vacuum Oil Co., Inc.; William Tracy, United Brick & Clay Workers of America; Herbert J. Seakwood, The Eimco Corp.; F. M. Rivinus, of Smith, Kline & French Laboratories; J. Con Lanier, Tobacco Associates of U. S.; A. H. Jones, Gardner-Denver Co.; Walter G. Stephenson, Buckeye Coal & Coke Co.; and

Barnard Townsend, of Mohawk Carpets, in behalf of Herbert L. Shuttleworth II, president. Hearings continue Monday, March 21, with testimony from Senators and Representatives.

GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: Reorganization Subcommittee tentatively concluded hearings on S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security, to study the overall Government security mechanism, and to submit appropriate recommendations. Testimony was heard today from the following witnesses:

J. Russell Wiggins, managing editor, Washington Post-Times Herald, who read a statement on behalf of the American Society of Newspaper Editors dealing with the problems of the press in general with regard to internal security matters—testifying on behalf of the Washington Post-Times Herald, Mr. Wiggins favored enactment of S. J. Res. 21; and

Ralph E. Spear, Federal Civil Defense Administration, and John E. Fondahl, director, Office of Civilian Defense, D. C., both of whom testified as to the relationship of their security programs with security rules and regulations of various other Government agencies.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings with regard to the actions by Army personnel in the case of former Army Maj. Irving Peress. Testifying today were Col. Ruluff F. Leverich, dental surgeon, Camp Kilmer, and Lt. Col. Herbert F. Bourdeau, formerly in charge of personnel, Office of the Surgeon General at Camp Kilmer.

On Thursday, March 17, the subcommittee heard testimony from Lt. Col. James N. Anders, Chief, Personnel Security Branch, G–2, Army; Lt. Col. Samuel Gordon, retired; Lt. Col. Chester T. Brown, Camp Kilmer; Maj. Vernon McKenzie, formerly Projects Branch personnel director, Office of the Surgeon General; and Stephen S. Jackson, Assistant General Counsel, Defense Department.

Hearings continue Tuesday, March 22.

LOCAL-SERVICE AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Aviation Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of S. 651, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers. Subcommittee took no action and will meet again on this matter on Monday, March 21.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS—ELECTORAL REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 3, 9, 10, 27, 30, and 31, proposals for changing the method of electing the President and Vice President of the U. S. Testimony today was heard from Clarence F. Lea, a former Representative from California, who urged enactment of S. J. Res. 30, and Lucius Wilmerding, of Princeton, N. J., who presented a general discussion of these amendments. Hearings continue Friday, March 25.

NARCOTIC DRUG TRADE

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee resumed its hearings with regard to the use of the narcotic drug trade by the Communists, and had as its witness Richard Deverall, representative of the AFL in the Far East. Mr. Deverall described the new "killer" drug, herobon, and stated that it has recently made appearances in Japan in large quantities. The witness also testified that Andrew Roth, who was involved in the Amerasia case, has been in the Orient for some time, and has been writing articles for publication in India which are damaging to the U. S. This witness will continue his testimony tomorrow.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings on the cause or causes of unemployment in certain industries, the subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows: Representatives Perkins and Siler; C. W. Davis, executive secretary, Big Sandy-Elkhorn Coal Operators Association, Pikeville, Ky.; and Samuel Caddy, president, District 31, UMW, Pikeville, Ky., all of whom discussed problems of unemployment in the coal industry; and John Breckenridge, committee representing American Fluorspar Producers, who testified on problems on unemployment in the fluorspar industry. Hearings continue Tuesday, March 22.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highways, with testimony today from Senator Byrd and John Harper, National Oil Jobbers Council, both of whom opposed enactment of S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the national system of interstate highways, and to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act.

F. R. Sproule, Northville, Mich., submitted a statement for the record setting forth a proposed method of financing a highway program.

Hearings continue Tuesday, March 22.

SHIP REPAIR POLICIES OF MSTS

Select Committee on Small Business: The Subcommittee on Military Procurement held and concluded hearings with regard to ship-repair policies of the Military Sea Transportation Service. Testifying today were Vice Adm. Francis Denebrink, Commander, MSTS; Clarence G. Morse, Member, Federal Maritime Board; and R. H. Morvant, executive director, the Gulf Coast Ship Repairs Association, New Orleans, La., and representing ship-repair yards without drydocking facilities. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H. R. 5046–5069; 15 private bills, H. R. 5070–5084; and 1 resolution, H. J. Res. 258, were introduced. Pages 3216–3217

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 5046, Department of Labor, Health, Education, and Welfare appropriation bill for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 228);

H. R. 4941, Foreign Service Act amendments of 1955 (H. Rept. 229);

Seven private bills, H. R. 876, 923, 957, 958, 970, 971, and 976 (H. Repts. 230–236, respectively);

H. R. 4647, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (H. Rept. 237); and

H. R. 4951, directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year, amended (H. Rept. 238). Page 3216

Second Supplemental Appropriation: By a voice vote, the House passed H. R. 4903, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955. Separate votes were requested on amendments proposed by Representatives Preston and Taber that restored a provision authorizing transfer of $4 million of unexpended funds to the United Nations technical assistance program. Both amendments were adopted. The language had previously been deleted when a point of order was made against it by Representative Hoffman of Michigan.

Adopted an amendment providing $2 million for commencing the acquisition of land and the construction of an additional House of Representatives office building.

The bill, as reported from the Committee on Appropriations, recommended appropriations of $855,212,429 for 12 agencies, which amount is $65,311,025 below the budget estimates. Pages 3190–3210

Rice: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 2839, to provide for reapportionment of rice acreage allotments voluntarily surrendered to county committees. Pages 3214–3215

Rice: House passed by a voice vote H. R. 4356, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to rice allotment history. Page 3215

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:06 p. m.

Committee Meetings

TOBACCO—RICE

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4951, amended, directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year; and

H. R. 4647, amended, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall Subcommittee on Irrigation continued public hearings relative to upper Colorado River storage projects. William Welch, Jr., mayor of Price, Utah, spoke in opposition to the inclusion of the Gooseberry project, in Utah. Other witnesses, speaking in opposition to the proposed legislation, were Representative Holifield, Northcutt Ely, special counsel, Colorado River Board of California, and Fred W. Simpson, chairman, and Raymond Matthew, chief engineer; Gilmore Tillman, chief assistant city attorney for water and power, Los Angeles, Calif.; James H. Howard, chief counsel, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; and Samuel B. Morris, member of the Colorado River Board and general manager and chief engineer for Department of Water and Power, Los Angeles, Calif. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning for interrogation of the California witnesses.

MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House H. J. Res. 256, providing for a nationwide analysis and reevaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness. This meas-

ure supersedes the original resolution (H. J. Res. 230) on which hearings and amendment consideration were conducted by the Subcommittee on Health and Science.

CIVIL AIR POLICY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in open session with officials of the Air Coordinating Committee for discussion of civil air policy matters. Meeting with the committee were Louis S. Rothschild, Chairman, and Lee Moore, executive secretary. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

WAR POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 held a hearing on H. R. 4052, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act, 1941. Witnesses testifying were Rear Adm. George C. Weaver, Vice Chief of Naval Materiel; Max Golden, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Air for Procurement; John Fanning, Chief, Army Contracts Board; Rear Adm. Frank Baldwin, Navy Contracts Adjustment Board; M. H. Steger, Office of General Counsel, Department of the Navy; and Byron Harding, Associate General Counsel for Emergency Procurement Services, General Services Administration.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Members of Congress testified at the concluding session of the public hearings on proposed legislation to increase salaries of classified Federal employees. Those heard were Representatives Broyhill and Baldwin, while statements were submitted for the record by Representatives Rabaut, Avery, Teague of California, Barrett, Green of Pennsylvania, Metcalf, Bennett of Florida, Anfuso, Lane, Chudoff, and Reuss.

E. W. McCabe, chairman of the committee on legislation, spoke for the National Association of Internal Revenue Employees, Nashville, Tenn., and a statement was filed by Thomas J. Ward, national director, Federal Employees Association for National Defense, Dayton, Ohio. Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

POSTAL AND MONEY ORDER STUDIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Appointed subcommittees to consider and study the following bills—

H. R. 1605, to permit shipment by mail of live scorpions to be used for medical research purposes: Representatives Morrison (chairman), Dowdy, Holifield, Corbett, and Broyhill.

H. R. 4778, to provide for the purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department, contractors with the Post Office Department, and mail clerks of the Armed Forces: Representatives Davis of Georgia (chairman), Lesinski, Fascell, St. George, and Cederberg.

H. R. 4817, relating to the payment of money orders: Representatives Pfost (chairman), Tumulty, Holifield, Harden, and Henderson.

H. R. 4936, to authorize the furnishing of subsistence and quarters without charge to employees of the Corps of Engineers engaged on floating plant operations: Representatives Moss (chairman), Robeson, Fascell, Cretella, and Gubser.

H. R. 4937, relating to the payment of judgments by the Post Office Department: Representatives Robeson (chairman), Pfost, Tumulty, Gross, and Johansen.

H. R. 4938, relating to contracts for the conduct of contract postal stations: Representatives Alexander (chairman), Pfost, Kilgore, Henderson, and Johansen.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Resumed consideration of a rule for H. R. 2535, the Hawaii-Alaska statehood bill, hearing proponent testimony from Representative Aspinall and Delegates Farrington (Hawaii) and Bartlett (Alaska). Recessed on the proposal until Monday morning, when rule consideration will also be given to H. R. 4941, the Foreign Service Act amendments for 1955.

TAX ACCOUNTING

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 4725, calling for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code—relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses. Opposition to the proposed legislation was presented today by the following witnesses—J. B. Lanterman, chairman, Federal taxation committee, Controllers Institute of America; Thomas L. Preston, general solicitor, Association of American Railroads; Charles W. Stewart, executive vice president, Machinery & Allied Products Institute; Fleming Bomar, on behalf of the American Automobile Association; Francis R. Cawley, vice president, Magazine Publishers Association; Jacquin D. Bierman, representing the Agricultural Publishers Association and the Associated Business Publishers, Inc.; Carl A. Phillipps, special counsel, and Jack Scott, secretary, National Association of Motor Bus Operators; Charles R. Orem, Jr., tax committee, Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association; Harmon Snoke, executive vice president, Manufacturers Association of the City of Bridgeport, Conn., Inc.; and O. Vanden Dooren, on behalf of the Holland Furnace Co., Holland, Mich.

Executive meeting on the bill is scheduled for Tuesday morning.

Monday, March 21, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House passed Labor-HEW appropriations and failed to pass postal pay bill under suspension of rules.

Bill amending the Foreign Service Act cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 22, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee began hearings on H. R. 4903, second supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, with testimony, as follows:

On funds for the operation and maintenance of Southwest Power Administration—Senators Kerr, Monroney, and Symington; Assistant Secretary of Interior Fred Aandahl; and Ancher Nelson, Administrator of REA; and

On agricultural conservation program—emergency wind erosion control—Senators Millikin, Allott, Barrett, Carlson, Monroney, and Anderson; Kenneth K. Scott, Director, Agricultural Credit, and Fred G. Ritchie, Acting Administrator, Agricultural Conservation Program Service, both of Agricultural Conservation Program; and Joseph C. Wheeler, Director of Finance and Budget Officer, Agriculture Department.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury-Post Office began hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for the Post Office Department, with testimony today from the following departmental witnesses: Charles R. Hook, Jr., Deputy Postmaster General; Norman R. Abrams, Assistant Postmaster General, Bureau of Post Office Operations; E. George Siedle, Assistant Postmaster General, Bureau of Transportation; Albert J. Robertson, Assistant Postmaster General and Controller, Bureau of Finance; Ormonde A. Kieb, Assistant Postmaster General, Bureau of Facilities; Eugene J. Lyons, Assistant Postmaster General, Bureau of Personnel; David H. Stephens, Chief Post Office Inspector; Joseph D. Cooper, Executive Assistant to the Deputy Postmaster General; and Clarence N. Bruce, Director, Division of Budget. Also testifying was Sam R. Broadbent, Chief of Commerce and Finance Section, Bureau of the Budget.

Hearings continue Wednesday, March 23.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee continued its hearings on the study of the stock market, and had as its witness today Benjamin F. Fairless, chairman, board of directors, U. S. Steel Corp., Pittsburgh. Mr. Fairless testified with regard to factors which go into determination by corporation executives of the type financing to be followed by a corporation, the influence that stock options have upon the market, management policies, and the general state of the steel industry.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SYNTHETIC RUBBER PRODUCING FACILITIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, took the following actions:

(1) By a vote of 10 to 5, ordered adversely reported to the Senate S. Res. 78 and 79, disapproving the sale of three synthetic rubber-producing plants in California (plancors 963, 929, and 611), and S. Res. 76, disapproving the sale of the facilities as recommended in the report of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission; and

(2) Unanimously approved for reporting S. 691, to reopen negotiations for the sale of the copolymer plant at Baytown, Tex. (with amendments to require disposal of this plant to meet the general standards of the Disposal Act of 1953, under which the Commission has recommended the sale of 24 other rubber-producing facilities).

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, with testimony today from Senator Clements; Russell Brown, general counsel, Independent Petroleum Association of America; and Robert N. Frazer, Committee of American Fluorspar Producers. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee investigating problems affecting employee welfare funds began open hearings today by way of a panel discussion. Participating in today's discussion were Nelson Cruickshank and Lane Kirkland, both of AFL; Jack Barbash, CIO; G. Warfield Hobbs, vice president,

National City Bank, New York; Frank Cliffe, vice president, H. J. Heinz Co., Pittsburgh; George Faunce, Jr., vice president, Continental Baking Co., New York; C. Manton Eddy, president, Connecticut General Insurance Co.; Gilbert Fitzhugh, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., New York; Martin Siegal and Richard Bloomquist, of March & McLennen, insurance consultants; and Horace Sheldon, Commerce & Industry Association, New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SBA REPORT

Select Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings today to receive a report on the accomplishments during the past year's operation of the Small Business Administration from Administrator Wendell B. Barnes. Mr. Barnes was accompanied by Deputy Administrators W. Norbert Engles, Donald Hipkins, and Robert Montgomery. Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 35 public bills, H. R. 5085–5119; 9 private bills, H. R. 5120–5128; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 97, and H. Res. 181 and 182, were introduced.

Pages 3234, 3301–3302

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 5085, Department of the Interior and related agencies appropriation bill for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 239);

H. Res. 181, rule providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 4941, Foreign Service Act amendments of 1955 (H. Rept. 240);

H. J. Res. 256, Mental Health Study Act of 1955 (H. Rept. 241); and

Twenty-three private bills, H. R. 984, 1008, 1009, 1012, 1085, 1086, 1108, 1111, 1196, 1203, 1220, 1346, 1679, 2087, 1393, 1643, 1691, 1747, 2068, 2747, 3526, 3738, and 4549 (H. Repts. 242–264, respectively). Pages 3300–3301

Reorganization: Agreed to Senate amendments, with further House amendments, to H. R. 2576, to further amend the Reorganization Act of 1949, as amended, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to Congress at any time before April 1, 1958. The Senate amendments limited the extension to 2 years and the House amendments to the Senate amendments provide for a 26-month extension or until June 1, 1957.

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Postal Employees Pay: By a rollcall vote of 120 yeas to 302 nays, the House rejected a motion to suspend the rules and pass H. R. 4644, to increase the rates of basic salary of postmasters, officers, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service and to eliminate certain salary inequities. Pages 3234–3258

Burley Tobacco Allotments: Rejected a motion to suspend the rules and pass with committee amendments H. R. 4951, directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year, by a record vote of 260 yeas to 151 nays. (A two-thirds majority is necessary for passage under suspension of the rules.) Pages 3258–3267

Hoboken Anniversary: By a voice vote adopted H. Res. 165, expressing the felicitations of the House of Representatives on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the incorporation of the city of Hoboken, N. J.

Pages 3267, 3284

Labor-HEW Appropriations: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 5046, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956.

Adopted one amendment that bars payment of unemployment compensation to Federal employees who voluntarily sever their employment.

As reported from the Committee on Appropriations the bill recommended appropriations totaling $2,337,522,261, of which $417,792,900 is provided for the Department of Labor; $1,907,403,361 for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The total recommended is $94,218,314 less than the 1955 appropriation and $94,626,600 below the budget estimates.

Pages 3267–3284

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:26 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MEXICAN FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Opponents of legislation (H. R. 3822) to extend permanently the Mexican farm labor program authorized by Public Law 78 (82d Cong.) was presented today by the following witnesses—Frank Noakes, Detroit, Mich., research director, Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, appearing as chairman, U. S. section, Joint U. S.-Mexican Trade Union Committee; Walter Mason, legislative representative, American Federation of Labor; Andrew McLelland, of Rio Grande City, Tex., adviser to the Texas State Federation of Labor, AFL, appearing for the State federation; and Ernesto Galarza, of San Jose, Calif., research and education director, National Agricultural Workers Union, AFL.

The Subcommittee on Equipment, Supplies, and Manpower, which is conducting these hearings, recessed until tomorrow morning when Members of Congress are scheduled to testify.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Forces: The Brooks subcommittee resumed open sessions on H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening the Reserve forces. Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Personnel), and other officials of the Defense Department testified, along with representatives of the Reserve Officers Association, National Guard Association, and the National Security Training Commission. Adjourned on the proposal until tomorrow morning (9:30 a. m.).

EUROPE

Subcommittee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on Europe met executively today with Livingston T. Merchant, Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2679, to amend the act to protect values along Oak Creek Canyon and certain tributaries thereof within the Coconino National Forest, Ariz.; and H. R. 1602, to enable the State of Arizona and the town of Tempe, Ariz., to convey to the Salt River Agricultural Improvement and Power District, for use by such district, a portion of certain property heretofore transferred under certain restrictions to such State and town by the United States.

Representative Udall, author of H. R. 2679, urged favorable consideration of his bill, as did Representative Rhodes of Arizona on H. R. 1602, of which he is sponsor. Harold Hockmuth, lands officer, Bureau of Land Management (Interior), testified in favor of both bills, and supporting testimony on H. R. 2679 was also received from Edward C. Crafts, Assistant Chief of Forest Service, who was accompanied by Reynolds Florance, Chief of Forestry and Lands Division, Office of General Counsel (Agriculture).

The subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2774 and 2787, a private conveyance and release of lands to the Government within the Coconino and Sitgreaves National Forests, Ariz. Representative Udall, author of the bills, and Edward C. Crafts, Assistant Chief of Forest Service, spoke in favor of the proposals. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

RADIO CALL SELECTORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications began hearings on H. R. 4090, a bill which would require that an automatic radio call selector be carried by U. S. cargo vessels of 1,600 gross tons or more and, if a call selector is not carried, then 2 or more radio operators must be provided. Representative McCormack, author of the measure, was the first witness. He was followed by A. Wallace Sereysky, of the Brelco Electronics Co., New York City; and E. M. Webster, a member of the Federal Communications Commission. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered favorably reported to the full committee 18 private immigration bills, and reported adversely on 5 others.

ESPIONAGE—REGISTRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held a hearing on H. R. 3882 and 4102, to require registration of certain persons who have knowledge of, or have received instruction or assignment in, the espionage, counterespionage, or sabotage service or tactics of a foreign government or foreign political party. Witnesses testifying were Nathan B. Lenvin and Harold D. Koffsky, of the Internal Security Division, Department of Justice; Wade Cameron, assistant legal adviser, Department of State; and Richard Arens, assistant counsel, Senate Internal Security Subcommittee.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: The Davis (Tennessee) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3878, amending the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood control work; and the following resolutions—

Malheur River and tributaries, Oregon. Estimated cost, $70,000 for review study of survey scope;

Red River, near Saline Point, La. Estimated cost, $5,000 for a review study of preliminary scope and $10,000 for a study of survey scope;

Canyon Lake Dam, S. Dak. No additional cost as report can be combined with Cheyenne River study previously authorized; and

Sandy Lick Creek at and in the vicinity of Du Bois, Pa. No additional cost since a companion resolution has been adopted by the Committee on Public Works of the Senate.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 4941, the Foreign Service Act amendments of 1955. Representatives Richards and Merrow were heard on the proposed legislation.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Resumed consideration of a rule on H. R. 2535, to admit Hawaii and Alaska into the Union. Representatives Dies and Rogers of Texas testified in opposition to the measure. Committee recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

Tuesday, March 22, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate cleared for President bill on reorganization.

House approved sale of synthetic-rubber-producing facilities.

Bill repealing Internal Revenue Code sections relating to prepaid income and reserves approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3316–3337

Bills Introduced: 23 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1507 to S. 1529; S. J. Res. 57; and S. Res. 83. Pages 3323, 3331–3332

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 691, to reopen negotiations for the sale of the copolymer plant at Baytown, Tex., with amendments (S. Rept. 116);

S. Res. 76, disapproving the sale of the facilities as recommended in the report of Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission, reported adversely and accompanied by minority views (S. Rept. 117); and

S. Res. 78 and 79, disapproving the sale of three synthetic-rubber-producing plants in California (plancors 963, 929, and 611), reported adversely and accompanied by minority views (S. Rept. 118). Pages 3322–3323

Bills Referred: Four House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 3316

U. N. Charter Modification: Senate adopted S. Res. 83, to increase the size of the Subcommittee on the U. N. Charter from 6 to 8 members. Pages 3331–3332

Committee Meetings: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Government Operations was authorized to meet while Senate is in session during balance of week. Page 3316

Reorganization: Senate concurred in House amendments to Senate amendments to H. R. 2576, to amend the Reorganization Act, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before June 1, 1957. This action cleared the bill for the President. Page 3330

Legislative Employees' Oaths: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 913, to eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of Senate and House of Representatives, thus clearing bill for President's signature. Page 3330

Cotton Acreage: Senate debated H. R. 3952, providing for an increase in the 1955 national cotton acreage allotments of approximately 258,000 acres.

Pending at recess was Stennis amendment (to committee amendment) to increase each State's cotton acreage allotment by 1½ percent. The yeas and nays have been ordered on this amendment.

Pages 3337–3338, 3350–3351, 3354–3359, 3362–3369

Confirmation: The nomination of Homer Ferguson, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Republic of Philippines, was confirmed. Page 3389

Nominations: 29 civilian nominations and 1 Navy nomination were received. Pages 3388–3389

Recess: Recessed at 8:29 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 4903, second supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, the committee heard testimony in behalf of funds for their departments from the following Government witnesses:

Agricultural Research Service—grasshopper control—Ervin L. Peterson, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; Dr. M. R. Clarkson, Deputy Administrator for Regulatory Programs, A. S. Hoyt, Director, Crops Regulatory Programs, Dr. W. L. Popham, Chief of Plant Pest Control Branch, and V. H. Beach, head of budget estimates, all of Agricultural Research Service; and Joseph C. Wheeler, Director of Finance and budget officer;

Bureau of Land Management—Edward Woozley, Director, William G. Guernsey, Associate Director, and James P. Beirne, budget and finance officer;

Bureau of Indian Affairs—W. Barton Greenwood, Assistant Commissioner for Administration, Selene Gifford, Assistant Commissioner for Community Services, Hildegard Thompson, Chief of Branch of Education, and Fred H. Massey, budget and finance officer;

National Park Service—Conrad L. Wirth, Director, Harry T. Thompson, Associate Superintendent, National Capital Parks, and Herbert G. Pipes, budget officer;

Bureau of Public Roads—Harold J. Spelman, division engineer, and Edward J. Martin, budget officer;

John Marshall Bicentennial Commission—Conrad L. Wirth, Director, Herbert E. Kahler, Chief Historian, and Herbert G. Pipes, budget officer, all of National Park Service; and

National Forest Service—Richard E. McArdle, Chief, and Ervin L. Peterson, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved the following projects:

Navy disposal projects: No. 40, involving lease of the Naval Industrial Reserve Shipyard at Hingham, Mass.; No. 42, outlying airfield to naval air station, St. Louis, Mo.; and No. 43, former outlying airfield, Plymouth, Mass.;

Navy acquisition project: No. 100, at Point Mugu, Calif.; and

Air Force acquisition projects: No. 251, North Truro, Mass.; No. 269, Bunker Hill Air Force Base, Ind.; No. 270, Altus Air Force Base, Okla.; and No. 271, Hanna City, Ill.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Civil Defense Subcommittee continued its hearings, with testimony today from Lt. Gov. S. Ernest Vandiver, of Georgia, and George J. Richardson, representing the AFL.

Hearings continue April 5 with Governor Williams, of Michigan.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee continued its hearings on the study of the stock market, with testimony today from Ralph H. Demmler, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, Washington, D. C. Mr. Demmler testified as to the extent of regulation of the securities markets by the SEC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, the committee today heard testimony from Senators O'Mahoney and Monroney and Representatives Edmondson and Bailey.

Hearings will continue tomorrow, when Secretary of State Dulles will resume his testimony.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported: (1) The nominations of Homer Ferguson, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Republic of the Philippines; William S. B. Lacy, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Republic of Korea; Ellis O. Briggs, of Maine, to be Ambassador to Peru; and sundry other nominations to the Foreign Service; and (2) an original resolution (S. Res. 83) to increase the size of the Subcommittee on the U. N. Charter by two members (amends S. Res. 126 of 83d Cong.).

The committee held open hearings to receive testimony from Under Secretary of State for Administration Loy Henderson with regard to amendments to the Foreign Service Act of 1946. Committee took no action and recessed subject to call on this matter.

It was also announced that consultative subcommittees have been appointed, as follows: United Nations Affairs—Senators Humphrey (chairman), Green, Barkley, Wiley, Smith of New Jersey, and Aiken; Economic and Social Affairs—Senators Barkley (chairman), Humphrey, Morse, Langer, Aiken, and Capehart; Far Eastern Affairs—Senators Fulbright (chairman), Sparkman, Barkley, Smith of New Jersey, Hickenlooper, and Knowland; European Affairs—Senators Sparkman (chairman), Humphrey, Mansfield, Wiley, Smith of New Jersey, and Langer; Near Eastern and African Affairs—Senators Green (chairman), Fulbright, Mansfield, Wiley, Hickenlooper, and Knowland; American Republics Affairs—Senators Morse (chairman), Green, Sparkman, Hickenlooper, Aiken, and Capehart; and State Department—Public Affairs—Senators Mansfield (chairman), Morse, Fulbright, Langer, Knowland, and Capehart. These subcommittees are designed primarily for informal consultation with officials of Government concerning developments in their fields of interest. They do not normally handle legislation, but are a device for keeping the full committee informed regarding current developments.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Continuing its hearings with regard to actions taken by Army personnel in handling the case of former Army Maj. Irving Peress, the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations heard testimony today from the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. Miller B. White, retired, Maj. Gen. Daniel D. Strickler, Lt. Col. Lowell L. Forbes, retired, recorder, and Lt. Col. George B. Moore, all of whom were connected with the Army personnel Board which considered Irving Peress for discharge from the Army. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. Subcommittee took no final actions and recessed subject to call.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued its hearings to investigate the cause or

causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries. Testimony today was heard from the following witnesses: Representative Byrd, whose testimony was directed to problems in the coal and glass industries; Harry See, legislative representative, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, who discussed unemployment in the railroad industry; Andrew Pettis, vice president, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, CIO, who presented testimony regarding unemployment in the shipbuilding industry; Roger D. Howdyshell, vice president and general manager, Marble King, Inc., of Berry Pink Industries, St. Marys, W. Va., who testified with regard to unemployment problems in the glass marbles industry; and Pat Greathouse, regional director, UAW, CIO, Chicago, who directed his remarks to problems in the farm machinery industry. Hearings continue tomorrow

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Welfare and Pension Funds continued its hearings on the operations of two funds established by management and labor in the steel and auto industries. The first fund considered was that which was worked out between the Continental Can Co. and the United Steel Workers of America, CIO. Witnesses testifying were Walter Klint, Continental Can Co., New York; and James Robb, director of district No. 30, Bernard Greenberg, insurance and pension department, Elliot Bredhoff, associate general counsel, and Murray W. Latimer, consultant, all of United Steel Workers.

The other plan discussed was that which was worked out in collective bargaining between the American Motors Co. and the United Automobile Workers, CIO. Witnesses testifying with regard to this plan were Jerome Pollack, consultant, social security department, UAW, CIO; and Herman Everhardus and James Cooper, representing American Motors Co., Detroit.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SCORPIONS; POSTMASTERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 35, to permit the shipment by mail of live scorpions. Committee also approved for reporting 15 postmaster nominations.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, with testimony today from Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey. Mr. Humphrey favored enactment of S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the national system of interstate highways, and to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 25 public bills, H. R. 5129–5153; 8 private bills, H. R. 5154–5161; and 8 resolutions, H. Res. 183–190, were introduced. **Pages 3437, 3449–3450**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 2225, amending the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 to require that permanent certificates of public convenience and necessity be issued to local service airlines now operating under temporary certificates, amended (H. Rept. 265);

Nineteen private bills, H. Res. 93, H. R. 907, 1069, 1146, 4642, 1044, 1045, 1062, 1351, 1360, 1496, 1501, 1502, 2346, 2731, 2762, 2764, 2954, and 4043 (H. Repts. 266–284, respectively);

H. R. 122, amending the Commodity Exchange Act so as to include onions (H. Rept. 285);

H. R. 3661, relating to settlement of claims of military and civilian personnel of the Coast Guard (H. Rept. 286);

H. R. 4051, providing for relief of certain Army and Air Force nurses (H. Rept. 287);

H. R. 3557, to further amend the act of July 3, 1943 (Ch. 189, 57 Stat. 372) (H. Rept. 288);

H. R. 3561, settlement of claims for damages occasioned by Army, Navy, and Marine Corps forces in foreign countries (H. Rept. 289);

H. R. 3996, to further amend the Military Personnel Claims Act of 1945 (H. Rept. 290);

H. Res. 189, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 4951, directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year (H. Rept. 291);

H. Res. 190, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 4647, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended (H. Rept. 292); and

H. R. 4725, calling for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code (relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses) (H. Rept. 293). **Pages 3448–3449**

Rubber: After nearly 6 hours of debate the House, by a rollcall vote of 132 yeas to 283 nays, rejected H. Res. 170, declaring that the House of Representatives does

not favor sale of the facilities as recommended in the report of the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission submitted to Congress on January 24, 1955.

Pages 3390–3437

Order of Business: Pursuant to a unanimous-consent request the calling of the Consent and Private Calendars was made in order on March 29. Pages 3408–3409

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:32 p. m

Committee Meetings

MEXICAN FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: The Poage subcommittee concluded public hearings on H. R. 3882, to extend permanently the Mexican farm labor program authorized by Public Law 78 (82d Cong.). Members of Congress heard at today's session were Representatives Bentley, Fernandez, Mahon, Herlong, and Utt. Other witnesses to testify were Nicholas Dragon, international CIO representative; Milton Plum, CIO legislative representative; A. T. Stevens, vice president, United Packinghouse Workers of America, CIO; and Austin Anson, appearing for the Growers and Shippers Association of Texas.

During the morning session the subcommittee interrogated three witnesses in connection with their opposition testimony of yesterday, as follows—Walter Mason, legislative representative, American Federation of Labor; Andrew McLelland, of Rio Grande City, Tex., adviser to the Texas State Federation of Labor, AFL, appearing for the State federation; and Ernesto Galarza, of San Jose, Calif., research and education director, National Agricultural Workers Union, AFL. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks subcommittee received further testimony at today's hearing on H. R. 2967, to strengthen the Reserve forces, from officials of the Department of Defense, and representatives of the Reserve Officers Association, National Guard Association, and the National Security Training Commission. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow (9:30 a. m.).

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Began hearings on the draft bill to amend the International Settlement Act of 1949. Testimony was received from Representatives Keogh and Multer, and a statement for the record was filed by Representative Kearney. Officials of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, who also testified, were Whitney Gilliland, Chairman, and H. J. Clay, Commissioner. Recessed on the draft bill subject to call.

ARIZONA NATIONAL FOREST

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2679, to extend to additional lands the act to protect scenic values along the Oak Creek Canyon and within the Coconimo National Forest, Ariz. Pending committee business was discussed in an executive meeting which followed the above action. Next regular meeting is scheduled for March 29.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Began hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act. Recommending enactment of H. R. 4560 and 4675 today was Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman of the Federal Power Commission. He was interrogated in a day-long session following presentation of his statement, and is scheduled to return for further questioning tomorrow. Prior to his appearance, the committee will hear testimony from E. O. Thompson, Texas State railroad commissioner. Proponent industry representatives will follow Mr. Kuykendall's testimony.

OATHS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered favorably reported to the House, with amendments, H. R. 4221, to amend title 18 of the U. S. Code, relating to administering oaths and taking acknowledgments by officials of Federal penal and correctional institutions.

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant of the Coast Guard, discussed its activities, operations, and proposed future program in an open session today. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow on the subject.

TOBACCO, RICE—INVESTIGATION

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules providing for 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 4951, directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year; and H. R. 4647, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938. Representative Cooley testified on both measures. Representative Abbitt, author of H. R. 4951, and Representative Thompson of Texas, author of H. R. 4647, discussed their respective bills.

Also considered, but deferred action on, H. Res. 139, to authorize the Committee on Agriculture to make jurisdictional studies and investigations. Representatives Cooley, Hope, and Abernethy were heard on this proposal. Committee recessed until tomorrow when it will resume on H. R. 2535, Alaska-Hawaii statehood bill.

COMPENSATIONS AND PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Dorn (South Carolina) subcommittee heard testimony today on pending compensation and pension bills—H. R. 711, 712, 732, 733, 735, 1614, 2207, 3806, 4490, and 5089—from the following witnesses: Representatives Bennett of Florida and Rogers of Massachusetts; Omar Clark and John Cash, of the Disabled American Veterans; Adin M. Downer, VFW; John R. Holden, AMVETS; and C. H. Olson and Charles Stevens, of the American Legion. Subcommittee recessed until tomorrow morning.

HOSPITALS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Long subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5100, to amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care.

TAX ACCOUNTING

Committee on Ways and Means: Voted unanimously to report to the House, with technical amendments, H. R. 4725, calling for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code—relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses. The purpose of the technical amendments was to provide procedures for taxpayers, who relied on sections 452 and 462 for tax purposes, to readjust their tax calculations in light of the repeal of these sections.

Wednesday, March 23, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate approved sale of synthetic-rubber-producing facilities.

House approved sale of rubber facilities to Shell Oil Co. and passed bills on committee procedure, Foreign Service, and rice acreage allotments.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3477–3484

Bills Introduced: 12 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1530 to S. 1541; S. J. Res. 58; and S. Con. Res. 19. **Pages 3478–3479, 3482**

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. 46, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 so as to exempt certain wheat producers from liability under the act where all the wheat crop is fed or used for seed on the farm (S. Rept. 119). **Page 3478**

Bills Rereferred: Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. 1271 and S. 1272, private bills, which were then rereferred to Committee on the Judiciary. **Page 3483**

Synthetic Rubber: By 39 yeas to 48 nays, Senate rejected S. Res. 78 and 79, disapproving the sale of 3 synthetic-rubber-producing plants in California (plancors 963, 929, and 611). These resolutions were considered jointly by unanimous agreement;

By 31 yeas to 56 nays, Senate rejected S. Res. 76, disapproving the sale of the facilities as recommended in the report of Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission; and

By voice vote, Senate passed S. 691, to reopen negotiations for the sale of the copolymer plant at Baytown, Tex., after adopting committee amendments thereto.

Pages 3484–3523, 3526–3536

Cotton Acreage: Senate renewed its consideration of H. R. 3952, providing for an increase in the 1955 national cotton acreage allotments of approximately 258,000 acres, after the bill had been temporarily put aside for action on legislation respecting sale of rubber-producing facilities.

Pending at recess was Stennis amendment (to committee amendment) to increase each State's cotton acreage allotment by 1½ percent, on which the yeas and nays have been ordered. **Page 3536**

Confirmations: Numerous nominations to the diplomatic and Foreign Service were confirmed, including those of Ellis O. Briggs, of Maine, to be Ambassador to Peru, and of William S. B. Lacy, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Korea, along with 15 postmaster nominations. **Pages 3537–3539**

Recess: Recessed at 5:56 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COTTON ACREAGE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee met in executive session and agreed to an amendment to be offered as a committee amendment to H. R. 3952, providing for an increase in the 1955 national cotton acreage allotments of approximately 258,000 acres (which bill is presently on the Senate calendar as the Senate's unfinished business). The proposed amendment would strike that provision of the bill which provides further additional acreage equal to ½ of 1 percent of each State's share of the national acreage allotment apportioned prior to enactment of this bill, and would further provide that in drought areas or in other disaster areas, a farmer may transfer his allotment from one farm to another. The amendment would further provide that no State allotment would be less than 3,500 acres.

REA LOANS, AND ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee held and concluded hearings, with testimony, as indicated, on the following bills:

On S. 153, to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, regarding unexpended or unobligated sums, with testimony from Ancher Nelsen, Administrator, Fred H. Strong, Deputy Administrator, and Robert D. Partridge, program analyst, Administrative Division, all of the REA, who favored enactment of the bill; and from Clyde T. Ellis, general manager, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, and John C. Lynn, legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation, who also favored the bill, but with a suggested amendment to continue the annual survey of unelectrified farms; and

On bills (S. 139, 443, 494, 517, 532, and H. R. 1573) pertaining to acreage allotments and agriculture conservation payments (amendments to secs. 348 and 374 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938), with testimony favoring their enactment from Ervin L. Peterson, Assistant Secretary, and Fred G. Ritchie, Acting Administrator, Agriculture Conservation Program Service, both of Agriculture Department; and testimony opposing its enactment from John C. Lynn, American Farm Bureau Federation.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, with testimony in behalf of funds for their departments from the following Government witnesses:

Department of Defense (claims and retirement pay)—Brig. Gen. Robert S. Moore, Office of Secretary of Defense;

Department of Justice—miscellaneous items—William P. Rogers, Deputy Attorney General, and S. A. Andretta, Administrative Assistant Attorney General;

Judiciary items—Henry P. Chandler, Director, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts; and

National Capital Planning Commission—funds for mass transportation survey—John Nolen, Jr., Director, National Capital Planning Commission; Paul C. Watt, Director, National Capital Regional Planning Council; William S. Cheatham, General Counsel, National Capital Planning Commission and National Capital Regional Planning Council; and Robert E. McLaughlin, Chairman, D. C. Public Utilities Commission and Trijurisdictional Transportation Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury-Post Office continued its hearings on H. R. 4876, Treasury and Post Office appropriations for 1956, with testimony today on the Treasury section of the bill. Witnesses testifying were Secretary Humphrey, who was accompanied by his assistants, and T. Coleman Andrews, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, who was also accompanied by his assistants. Hearings continue tomorrow.

STOCK MARKET STUDY

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee concluded its hearings on the study of the stock market, with testimony today from Bernard M. Baruch, of New York. Mr. Baruch discussed the relationship between general economic conditions and the stock market, and advocated a balanced budget and a strong national defense.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: The committee concluded open hearings today on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, after receiving further testimony from Secretary of State Dulles.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings on actions taken by Army personnel in handling the case of former Army Maj. Irving Peress. Witnesses heard today were Lt. Col. Walter Weible, Office of the Chief of Staff, Army; and Gen. Ralph W. Zwicker, who was commanding general of Camp Kilmer, N. J., during the time that Major Peress was stationed at that camp. Hearings continue tomorrow.

YELLOWTAIL DAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee held hearings to receive

recommendations from Bureau of Reclamation regarding the construction of Yellowtail Dam in Montana and Wyoming. The subcommittee agreed to request that representatives of Interior Department and Bureau of the Budget meet with representatives of the Montana Power Co. and Pacific Power & Light Co. to explore the possibilities for a partnership program for the construction of Yellowtail Dam, and to submit a report thereon by May 1, 1955. Subcommittee also agreed to request that the FPC submit a report with regard to the Bureau of Reclamation's findings regarding power rates on which the Bureau found the construction of Yellowtail Dam feasible.

Subcommittee will meet in executive session tomorrow for further consideration of S. 500, upper Colorado River storage project.

LOCAL SERVICE AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Aviation Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 651, to provide permanent certificates for local service air carriers.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held routine hearings on H. R. 3957, a private bill.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Unemployment Subcommittee continued its hearings to investigate the cause or causes of unemployment in certain industries, with testimony, as follows: George J. Burger, vice president, National Federation of Independent Business, who testified on the effects of unemployment on small business; and Dr. Solomon Barkin, research director, accompanied by Wesley Cook, regional director for Maryland, Virginia, and West Virginia, William Du Chessi, director, carpet division, Amsterdam, N. Y., and Charles Hughes, business agent, Yonkers, N. Y., all of the Textile Workers Union of America, CIO, whose testimony related to unemployment problems in the textile industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Welfare and Pension Funds continued its hearings, with a presentation today on the welfare plan experience of AFL painters and decorators of the Chicago area. Witnesses for the painters welfare fund were Hugh J. McCarthy, attorney for the union, Marshall A. Pipin, attorney for the employer trustees, and Louis L. Schmidt, chairman of the board of trustees and an employer trustee.

The subcommittee also heard testimony with regard to the welfare plan of the Cement Masons Institute Trust and Welfare Fund of the Cement Finishers, local 502, Chicago. Representing the union with regard to this plan were Emil Wesselhoff, union trustee and president of the institute, and Warner Sevander, union trustee and institute secretary. Representing the employers were Bert Carey, employer trustee and vice president, Paul A. Melvin, and Emory J. Smith, counsel for the board of trustees. Also testifying was Miss Maybelle Walker, office director of the fund.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Public Roads Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, with testimony today from Senators Kefauver and Saltonstall, and Maj. Gen. Paul F. Yount, Office of the Chief of Transportation, Army. All of these witnesses' testimony was with regard to defense aspects of the proposed highway construction program. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 1413, to amend the act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts; and with an amendment S. Res. 72, authorizing expenditures for hearings and investigations by Committee on Armed Services ($160,000), and H. Con. Res. 85, authorizing printing as a House document the pamphlet, Our American Government, What Is It? How Does It Function?

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 28 public bills, H. R. 5162–5189; 13 private bills, H. R. 5190–5202; and 8 resolutions, H. J. Res. 259–261, H. Con. Res. 98 and 99, and H. Res. 191–193, were introduced. **Pages 3586, 3591–3593**

Bill Reported: One bill was reported as follows: H. Res. 191, providing for waiving points of order against, limiting amendments to, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4725, to repeal sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses) (H. Rept. 294). **Page 3591**

Rubber: By a record vote of 137 yeas to 276 nays the House rejected H. Res. 171, to disapprove proposed sale to Shell Oil Co. of certain synthetic-rubber-producing facilities as recommended by the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission report. Pages 3541–3553

Foreign Service: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 4941, to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1946 to enable the Department of State to continue the integration of its personnel into the Foreign Service Officer Corps and to improve conditions of employment of Foreign Service personnel so that qualified individuals will make it a career.

H. Res. 181, the rule providing for the consideration of the bill, was previously adopted. Pages 3554–3568

House Committee Procedure: Adopted two clarifying committee amendments and passed by a voice vote H. Res. 151, to amend the rules of the House of Representatives to provide for a code of fair procedure for committees. Pages 3569–3585

Rice: Adopted committee amendments and passed H. R. 4647, providing emergency rice allotments for 1955. This bill provides relief for rice farmers by increasing each State acreage allotment for rice in 1955 by 5 percent and contains a provision to remedy special conditions relating to new rice growers in South Carolina and Oklahoma.

H. Res. 190, the rule providing for the consideration of the bill, was adopted earlier. Pages 3585–3586

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:41 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks subcommittee heard further testimony today from officials of the Department of Defense and interested officers organizations on H. R. 2967, to strengthen the Reserve forces. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

ALASKA ROAD COMMISSION

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources received testimony today in connection with the operations of the Alaska Road Commission for the fiscal years 1952 through 1954. Chairman Chudoff stated that the primary purpose of the hearing was to assist the Alaska Road Commission and the Department of the Interior in overcoming certain problems noted by the General Accounting Office, with a view to developing a greater degree of efficiency and economy. Witnesses at the session were the following General Accounting Office officials—Owen A. Kane, Jr., legislative attorney; A. T. Samuelson, Assistant Director of the Division of Audits; A. L. Litke, Supervisory Auditor, Division of Audits; and Max Hirschhorn, Division of Audits. Recessed on the topic until tomorrow morning when the first scheduled witness will be Alaska Roads Commissioner Angelo F. Ghiglione.

SCHOOL-LUNCH PROGRAM

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations resumed public hearings today and received testimony from officials of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, regarding distribution cost of school surplus commodities donated by the Department to educational and other institutions. Appearing at the session were Oris V. Wells, Administrator; Howard P. Davis, Acting Director of the Food Distributing Division; Oscar Beyer, Chicago (Ill.) area supervisor, Food Distributing Division, accompanied by John James, his assistant; George E. Cooper, Acting Deputy Solicitor, AMS; and Lee A. Dashner, Director of Program Appraisal and Audit Division. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation heard Representative Engle explain the objectives of a bill (H. R. 2388) which he introduced in the House authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of a hydroelectric project on the Tuolumne River, Calif. Hearing will be continued tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act. Ernest O. Thompson, member of the Texas State Railroad Commission, urged favorable enactment of H. R. 4560, the bill introduced by Representative Harris, of Arkansas. Also recalled Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman of the Federal Power Commission, for interrogation regarding his statement of yesterday in support of H. R. 4560 and 4675. Mr. Kuykendall is expected to be heard further at a later date. Recessed until tomorrow when industry proponent witnesses are scheduled to testify.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard Members of Congress on several private immigration bills.

CONGRESSIONAL IMMUNITY—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered adversely reported to the full committee H. R.

271 and 641, relating to immunity of Members of Congress from civil liability for defamatory statements inserted in the Congressional Record. Representatives Denton and Celler, authors of the respective bills, testified at today's hearing on the subject.

The subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3092, relating to overtime-compensation claim of employees of the Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, worked during period of March 3, 1931–43. Also reported favorably on 6 private claim bills, and adversely on 7 others.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 heard authors of the following bills relating to wiretapping—H. R. 4513, Representative Celler; H. R. 867, Representative Willis; H. R. 762, Representative Forrester; H. R. 5096, Representative Keating; and H. R. 4728, Representative Curtis of Massachusetts. Testimony on the subject was also received from Warren Olney, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Operations, activities, and the proposed future program of the Coast Guard were discussed today by the following Coast Guard officials—Rear Adm. Henry C. Perkins, Chief, Office of Operations; and Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant (who also testified yesterday). Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

TAX ACCOUNTING

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule, waiving points of order and providing for 2 hours of debate, on H. R. 4725, to repeal sections relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses of the Internal Revenue Code. The rule permits only such amendments as those directed by the Committee on Ways and Means, with one motion made to recommit. Representatives Cooper and Reed of New York testified on the proposal.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Resumed consideration of a rule on H. R. 2535, to admit Hawaii and Alaska into the Union. Opposition to the proposed legislation was expressed today by Representatives Haley, Shuford, and Pillion. Recessed on the measure until Friday morning.

COMPENSATIONS AND PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Dorn (South Carolina) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 735, to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain Medal of Honor awardees; H. R. 1614, to provide an increased statutory rate of compensation for veterans suffering the loss of the use of an eye in combination with the loss, or loss of use, of a limb; H. R. 4490, to make certain provisions of the Veterans Regulations applicable to active service during an enlistment or employment entered into on or after June 27, 1950, and prior to February 1, 1955; and H. R. 5089, to extend time for filing application of certain disabled veterans for payment on the purchase price of an automobile or other conveyance, etc.

Also considered, but deferred action at this time, H. R. 3806, to amend and revise the laws relating to pensions.

In open session on H. R. 711, 712, 732, 733, 735, 1614, 2207, 3806, 4490, and 5089, the following witnesses testified—Capt. F. O. Willenbucher, Reserve Officers Association; Lloyd Thurston, commander in chief, and William J. Otjen, legislative chairman, both of the United Spanish-American War Veterans; Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator (Legislation), VA; and Howard Bernstein of Mr. Birdsall's office.

Joint Committee Meetings

SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee met in executive session and appointed membership to subcommittees, as follows:

Foreign Economic Policy—Senators Douglas, Fulbright, Representative Bolling, Senator Flanders, and Representative Talle;

Tax Policy—Senators Douglas, O'Mahoney, Representative Mills, Senator Goldwater, and Representative Curtis of Missouri;

Economic Stabilization—Representatives Patman (chairman), Kelley of Pennsylvania, Senator O'Mahoney, Representative Wolcott, and Senator Watkins;

Low-Income Families—Senator Sparkman (chairman), Representative Kelley of Pennsylvania, and Senator Flanders;

Economic Statistics—Representative Bolling (chairman), Senator Sparkman, and Representative Talle.

Chairmen of the Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy and the Subcommittee on Tax Policy will be designated later.

TAXES

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates, but made no announcements and will continue its consideration Friday, March 25.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate, by 39 to 51, rejected cotton acreage bill, and took up postal pay bill, reaching agreement to limit debate.

House passed Interior Department appropriations and bills amending Internal Revenue Code and readjusting burley tobacco allotments.

Senate Interstate Committee approved miscellaneous bills.

Bills relating to veterans' benefits and replacement of exported agricultural stocks approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3620–3636

Bills Introduced: 10 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1542 to S. 1551; and S. J. Res. 59.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1413, to amend the act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts (S. Rept. 120);

S. Res. 72, authorizing expenditures for hearings and investigations by Committee on Armed Services ($160,000), with amendment (S. Rept. 121); and

H. Con. Res. 85, authorizing printing as a House document the pamphlet, Our American Government, What Is It? How Does It Function? with amendments (no written report). Page 3622

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 3620

Cotton Acreage: By 39 yeas to 51 nays (motion to reconsider being tabled), Senate rejected H. R. 3952, providing for an increase in the 1955 national cotton acreage allotments of approximately 258,000 acres, after adopting amendments thereto as follows: Modified committee amendment which had first been amended as indicated hereafter; by 51 yeas to 39 nays, Stennis amendment (to committee amendment) to increase each State's cotton acreage allotment by 1½ percent (as amended by adoption of Hayden amendment thereto providing that cotton acreage allotment for Illinois and Nevada shall be increased to 3,500 acres, and prescribing a minimum allotment of 10 acres to each eligible farm in Arizona and New Mexico); and by 47 yeas to 43 nays, amendment by Senator Case of South Dakota (to committee amendment as amended) increasing by 1½ percent the 1955 acreage allotments for wheat (motion to reconsider being tabled). Pages 3636–3656

Postal Pay: Senate took up, debated, and reached the following debate limitation agreement on S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department:

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that following conclusion of morning business Friday, March 25, debate on any amendment or motion proposed to the committee amendment (in the nature of a substitute) or any appeal in connection therewith shall be limited to 90 minutes equally divided (no nongermane amendments to be received), and debate on the bill shall be limited to 2 hours equally divided on passage of the bill.

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Nominations: Senate received the nominations of Joseph C. Satterthwaite, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Burma; Joseph E. Jacobs, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to Poland; Joseph S. Davis, of California, and Raymond J. Saulnier, of New York, to be members of the Council of Economic Advisers; and one U. N. nomination. Page 3667

Recess: Recessed at 5:57 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, the committee received testimony in behalf of funds for their respective departments from the following Commerce Department witnesses:

CAB—payments to air carriers—Chan Gurney, member, M. C. Mulligan, Secretary, Joseph H. FitzGerald, Director, Bureau of Air Operations, Irving Roth, Chief of Rates Division, E. T. Nunneley, Jr., General Counsel, and John B. Russell, Chief of Budget and Fiscal Section;

CAA—Federal Airport Act claims—George T. Moore, Assistant Secretary of Commerce, Oscar H. Nielson, departmental budget officer, Fred B. Lee, CAA Administrator, M. W. Hemphill, Deputy Director, Office of Airports, and A. O. Basnight, budget officer; and

Item authorizing transfer of certain funds to appropriations for CAA and Weather Bureau—George T. Moore, Oscar H. Nielson, Fred B. Lee, A. O. Basnight; and D. M. Little, Assistant Chief for Administration, and R. C. Grubb, budget officer, both of the Weather Bureau.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY-POST OFFICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 4876, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony from George Riley, AFL, with regard to smuggling of narcotics.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NATO BRIEFING AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing from Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe, with regard to North Atlantic Treaty Organization affairs.

Also, in executive session, the committee ordered favorably reported 235 Army nominations.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings on actions taken by Army personnel in handling the case of former Army Maj. Irving Peress. Witnesses heard were Secretary of the Army Stevens and former Army Deputy Counselor John Adams.

Subcommittee will hold an executive meeting tomorrow.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation, in executive session, agreed to report to the full committee, subject to final approval of certain language in several clarifying amendments, S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects.

This bill will be considered by the full committee in its executive session on Tuesday, March 29.

ROUTINE COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 37, to amend the act increasing the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service in order to make such increase permanent, and S. 460, to amend the law with respect to life preservers for river steamers;

With amendments—S. 651, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers, and S. Con. Res. 16, to establish a joint committee to study aspects of the common system of air navigation in the U. S.—VOR/DME-TACAN controversy (amendments would enlarge the committee to include two members each from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee, would require an interim report by June 30, 1955, a final report by December 31, 1955, and would make perfecting changes); and

Six routine nominations in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

The committee also announced that it had agreed to hold hearings in the near future on S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act with regard to exemption from Federal regulations of the so-called independent producers and gatherers.

VESSELS INSPECTION, AND WAR RISK INSURANCE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries held and concluded hearings, as follows:

On S. 743, to authorize biennial inspection of the hulls and boilers of cargo vessels—with favoring testimony from Rear Adm. H. C. Shepheard, Chief, Office of Merchant Marine Safety, Coast Guard (statements were submitted for the record by Francis T. Green, American Merchant Marine Institute, Hugh S. Williamson, Association of American Ship Owners, and Ralph Dewey, Pacific American Steamship Co.); and

On S. 741, to amend the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, relating to war-risk insurance, in order to repeal the provision which would terminate authority to provide insurance under such title—with favoring testimony from Clarence G. Morse, Maritime Administrator, Maritime Administration (statements were submitted for the record by Eugene Ackerman, Federal Maritime Board, Francis T. Green, Hugh S. Williamson, and Ralph Dewey).

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings regarding the cause or causes of unemployment in certain industries, the subcommittee heard testimony concerning unemployment problems in the coal industry from Representative Kelley of Pennsylvania, Joseph Moody, president, Southern Coal Producers, and George A. Lamb, manager of business surveys, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co. W. D. Johnson, vice president, Order of Railway Conductors and Brakemen, Washington, D. C., submitted testimony to the subcommittee regarding unemployment problems in the railroad industry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings, the Welfare and Pension Funds Subcommittee heard testimony on the operations of the welfare fund of the pointers, cleaners, and caulkers, local 52. Witnesses testifying with regard to this fund were William J. Miller, former staff member, Subcommittee on Welfare and Pension Funds; C. F. Marvin, office

manager, Chris Paschen Maintenance Co.; Carl Lundgren, employer and official, and Morris A. Haft, attorney, both of Tuckpointers Association; and John J. Ryan, official, and Mrs. Eleanor Sielski, employee, both of local 52.

The subcommittee also considered the establishment and operation of the welfare fund of the Laundry Workers International Union, with testimony from William J. Wilson, executive vice president, Greater Chicago Hotel Association, and Francis X. Plant, staff member of the subcommittee.

Hearings will continue tomorrow, with further testimony from Mr. Plant.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, with testimony from Federal Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson. Mr. Peterson endorsed enactment of S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the national system of interstate highways, and to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act, and testified with particular regard to the defense aspects of the bill.

Hearings continue Monday, March 28.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H. R. 5203–5226; 12 private bills, H. R. 5227–5238; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 262, H. Con. Res. 100 and 101, and H. Res. 194, were introduced. **Pages 3722–3723**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Report of Survey Mission to the Far East, South Asia, and the Middle East to the Committee on Foreign Affairs (H. Rept. 295);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 296);

H. R. 5089, to extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances (H. Rept. 297);

H. R. 5100 to amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care (H. Rept. 298);

H. R. 5106, to authorize loans for farm housing to be guaranteed or insured under the same terms and conditions as apply to residential housing (H. Rept. 299);

H. R. 5177, to authorize reconveyance to Richland County, S. C., of a portion of the Veterans' Administration hospital reservation, Columbia, S. C. (H. Rept. 300);

H. R. 735, to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain persons awarded the Medal of Honor (H. Rept. 301); and

H. R. 4221, to amend U. S. Code relating to administering oaths and taking acknowledgments by officials of Federal penal and correctional institutions (H. Rept. 302). **Page 3722**

Interior Department Appropriations: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 5085, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956. Adopted an amendment to reduce by $345,700 the National Park Service construction funds and bar construction of a road to Mammoth Cave National Park from U. S. Highway 31W between Cave City and Park City, Ky. Rejected an amendment to add $400,000 to the funds provided for State and private forestry cooperation.

As reported from the Committee on Appropriations the bill recommends appropriations of $298,271,246, which amount is $15,081,810 under the budget estimates and $3,203,380 less than the 1955 appropriation. **Pages 3669–3685**

Internal Revenue Code: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 4725, to repeal sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses, respectively. The bill also provides that the amendments are to apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1953, and ending after the date of enactment of the 1954 code. H. Res. 191, the closed rule providing for the consideration of the bill, was previously adopted. **Pages 3685–3699**

Rubber: Passed and cleared for Presidential action S. 691, to reopen negotiations for the sale of the copolymer plant at Baytown, Tex. **Pages 3699–3701**

Burley Tobacco: Adopted several committee amendments and passed H. R. 4951, directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year, by a voice vote. A recommittal motion was rejected by a voice vote. Rejected two amendments that sought to increase the exemption from acreage reduction.

H. Res. 189, the rule under which the bill was considered, was adopted earlier. **Pages 3701–3711**

Order of Business: Calendar Wednesday business, in order on March 30, was dispensed with, pursuant to a unanimous-consent request; also the calling of a recess at any time was made in order on Wednesday for the purpose of receiving Prime Minister Scelba of Italy. **Page 3713**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:04 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL STOCKS REPLACEMENT

Committee on Agriculture: The Poage subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee S. 752, to amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from Commodity Credit Corporation stocks. Witnesses heard on this bill, and a companion House measure (H. R. 3231), were James A. McConnell, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; F. M. Rhodes, Director of the Cotton Division, Commodity Stabilization Service; Reid Dunn, of the National Cotton Council; and G. Garnett, of the American Farm Bureau Federation. Statements for the record were filed on behalf of the National Association of Farmer Co-ops and the National Grange.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee continued its public hearings on H. R. 2967, to strengthen the Reserve forces. Representatives of the Defense Department testified. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

NAVAL AIR STATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee approved the following disposals of Navy projects today—No. 31, naval air station, Arcata, Calif.; No. 34, outlying fields to naval air station, Pensacola, Fla.; No. 36, outlying fields to naval air station, Dallas, Tex.; No. 38, naval storehouse, Point Pleasant, W. Va.; No. 41, Dutch Island, Newport, R. I.; No. 42, Smartt Field, outlying to naval air station, St. Louis, Mo.; No. 43, Plymouth Field, outlying to naval air station, Squantum, Mass.; No. 45, Misham Point Military Reservation, Dartmouth, Mass.; and No. 49, outlying fields to naval air station, Jacksonville, Fla.

Willis Dudley represented the Bureau of Yards and Docks (Navy) during discussions; and Representative Scudder, of California, appeared on No. 31.

FAR EAST-PACIFIC

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on the Far East and the Pacific met executively today with the following officials of the Department of Defense—Col. Frank J. Culley, Chief, Eastern Branch, Production Division, G–2; Col. R. A. Broberg, Far Eastern Pacific Branch, G–3; Lt. Col. Vernon O. Moore, Chief, China Section, G–2; Lt. Col. Roy J. Sherry, Chief, Japan and Korea Section, G–2; and Maj. Charles W. Milmore, Viet-Nam Section, G–2.

ALASKA ROAD COMMISSION

Committee on Government Operations: Public hearings were continued today by the Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources in connection with its study of the operations of the Alaska Road Commission for the fiscal years 1952 through 1954. Witnesses at the session were Angelo F. Ghiglione, Commissioner of Roads for Alaska; A. C. McKinney, Jr., Chief, Purchasing Branch for Federal Supply Service, General Services Administration, region 3; William C. Strand, Director, Office of Territories, Department of the Interior; D. Otis Beasley, Administrative Assistant Secretary of the Interior; and Herbert K. Hyde of the GSA. Recessed until next Wednesday when the subcommittee is scheduled to hear testimony from C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner of Public Roads, Department of Commerce.

GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks (Texas) Special Subcommittee on Government Activities met in executive session. Made no announcement.

HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Officials of the Tuolumne County District No. 2, California, today endorsed H. R. 2388, authorizing the construction, maintenance, and operation of a hydroelectric project on the Tuolumne River, Calif. The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation, which is considering the bill, heard testimony from Leland S. Gibbs, president, Martin McDonough, attorney, and Herman Holman, engineer. Hearings were recessed until tomorrow (9:30 a. m.).

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act. Representative Ikard, author of H. R. 3902, spoke in support of his measure on this subject. The second witness was David T. Searls, attorney, from Houston, Tex., who urged enactment of H. R. 4560, which would exempt independent producers and gatherers of gas from Federal Power Commission control. Following his statement, Mr. Searls was interrogated by the committee. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning, when John W. Boatwright, of Standard Oil of Indiana, and other industry proponents are scheduled to testify.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered favorably reported to the full committee 10 private claim bills, and reported adversely on 2 others.

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued to hear officials of the Coast Guard in connection with its operations and activities. Today's witnesses included Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant; Rear Adm. Halert C. Shepheard, Chief, Office of Merchant Marine Safety; Capt. James Craik, Chief of the Appeals Board; and Rear Adm. William W. Kenner, Chief, Office of Personnel. Hearings will be resumed

tomorrow (10:30 a. m.) following an executive session on pending committee business (10 a. m.).

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Postponed until next Thursday morning, March 31, its meeting scheduled for tomorrow (Friday), to consider a rule on H. R. 2535, to admit Hawaii and Alaska into the Union.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 735, to provide $100 per month pension to holders of the Medal of Honor;

H. R. 5089, to extend time for filing application of certain disabled veterans for payment on the purchase price of an automobile or other conveyance, etc.;

H. R. 5100, to clarify Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) regarding the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care;

H. R. 5106, to amend the GI bill so as to authorize loans for farm housing to be guaranteed or insured under same terms, etc., as apply to residential housing; and

H. R. 5177, relating to transfer of lands in Richland County, S. C.

Joint Committee Meetings

CIVIL DEFENSE

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Subcommittee on Security met in executive session followed by open hearings with regard to whether or not the AEC's security regulations have interfered with civil defense planning. The subcommittee heard testimony on this matter from AEC Chairman Lewis Strauss and Federal Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson. Mr. Peterson testified to the effect that the AEC's security regulations are not now in any way interfering with civil defense planning. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted conference report on tax bill and passed bills to provide 10-percent pay increase for postal and Government employees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3739–3745

Bills Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1552 to S. 1557. **Pages 3740–3741**

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 3739**

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 4951, directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year, was ordered placed on calendar. **Page 3739**

Postal Pay: By 72 yeas to 21 nays, Senate passed S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, as amended by adoption of committee amendment, as amended (in the nature of a substitute), which would increase basic compensation by 10 percent or $400, whichever is greater. Prior to adoption of committee amendment, the following actions were taken on amendments and motions thereto:

Adopted: Byrd amendment to make the increase effective on the first day of the first pay period following enactment of bill; by 52 yeas to 41 nays, motion of Senator Johnson (of Texas) to table Carlson amendment to substitute for the text of the bill the provisions of S. 1489 (which would set up a classification schedule for postal employees and provide them a salary increase of an average 7.6 percent); and

Rejected: Langer motion to reconsider adoption of Byrd amendment concerning date the increase would take effect.

A motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, was tabled. **Pages 3745–3762**

Government Employees' Pay: By voice vote, Senate passed S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government, as amended by adoption of committee amendment, as amended (in the nature of a substitute), which would set up a new compensation schedule for GS and CPC employees and give an average increase of 10 percent. Prior to adoption of committee amendment, the following actions were taken on amendments thereto:

Adopted: Byrd amendment to make the increase effective on the first day of the first pay period following enactment of bill; Dirksen amendment adjusting the

basic compensation of employees in the offices of Senators and making certain increases in amounts authorized for employees in such offices according to the population of the State from which Senator is elected; Johnston (of South Carolina) amendment of a technical, perfecting nature; and

Rejected: Carlson amendment to substitute for the text of the bill the provisions of S. 1490 (which would provide a salary increase of an average 6 percent).

Pages 3762–3769

Taxes: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain excise-tax rates. The conference report in effect restores the language of the bill as it passed the Senate without the language of the House-passed bill to provide a $20 credit against individual income tax for each personal exemption.

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Colorado Water: Report on depletion of surface water supply of Colorado west of the Continental Divide (a bulletin of the Colorado Water Conservation Board) was ordered to be printed with illustrations as S. Doc. 23.

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Confirmations: Nominations confirmed included 6 in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, 22 in the Army, and 213 in the Air Force. Pages 3775–3776

Nominations: 38 Army nominations were received.

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Recess: Recessed at 1:39 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUSES OF TOBACCO, SOYBEANS, AND WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses continued its hearings, with testimony on surpluses of tobacco from J. C. Lanier, general counsel, Tobacco Association of U. S., and Leaf Tobacco Exporters Association, Greenville, N. C., who was accompanied by other representatives of the tobacco industry. Testifying with regard to soybean surpluses were George M. Strayer, executive vice president, and secretary-treasurer, American Soybean Association, Hudson, Iowa, Jake Hartz, Jr., president, the American Soybean Association, Stuttgart, Ark., and John D. Connor, National Soybean Processors Association, Washington, D. C. Roy Hendrickson, executive secretary of the National Federation of Grain Cooperatives, appeared before the subcommittee to discuss surpluses of wheat. Hearings continue Monday, March 28.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, with testimony, as indicated, from the following departmental witnesses:

On funds for Federal Civil Defense Administration—with testimony from Administrator Val Peterson, accompanied by his associates;

Commerce Department, Bureau of Public Roads—restoration of budget estimates for Federal aid to highways, forest highways, and public lands highways—with testimony from Assistant Secretary George T. Moore, Oscar H. Nielson, departmental budget officer, and C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner, who were accompanied by their associates;

Commerce Department, Maritime Administration—operating subsidies and repair of reserve fleet vessels items—with testimony from Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary for Transportation, and Oscar H. Nielson, who were accompanied by their associates (Senator Butler submitted a statement regarding funds for operating differential subsidies); and

On item for the Panama Canal Zone—with testimony from Merrill Whitman, assistant to the Governor of the Panama Canal.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations met in executive session with regard to the case of former Army Maj. Irving Peress, following which it announced: (1) That it had agreed that the letter of February 9 from the Attorney General to Chairman McClellan, giving opinion as to legality of steps taken against former Army Major Peress, would not be made public, (2) that it had unanimously agreed to make the testimony of George Anastos, before the Watkins subcommittee (Select Committee To Study the Censure of Senator McCarthy, 83d Cong., 2d sess.), an exhibit in the record of the hearings on the Peress case, and (3) that it had agreed to insert in the record a deposition of Lt. Col. Emery Hyde, Army, who was unable to attend these hearings because of illness.

These hearings were adjourned subject to call.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT, COLORADO

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee concluded hearings on S. 300, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project, Colorado. Testimony in opposition to enactment of this bill was heard from Northcutt Ely, special counsel, and Raymond Matthews, chief engineer, both of Colorado River Board of California.

Testimony favoring enactment of this legislation was received from Charles Beise, of Denver, representing Southeast Colorado Water Development Association, and Harold H. Chisty, Pueblo, Colo.

A statement in opposition to this bill on behalf of the Pitkin County, Colo., Water Users Association, was submitted for the record by its attorney, L. K. Olson.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS—ELECTORAL REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 3, 9, 10, 27, 30, and 31, proposals for changing the method of electing the President and Vice President of the U. S. Testimony today was heard from the following witnesses: Senator Langer, who testified in favor of his bill, S. J. Res. 10; Leander H. Perez, district attorney, Plaquemines-St. Bernard District, Louisiana, whose testimony generally favored enactment of S. J. Res. 3; Richard Childs, National Municipal League, New York, whose testimony was mainly with regard to the method of election of delegates to national conventions; and Ralph W. Donnelly, Washington, D. C., and Charles Cobb, Jr., Alexandria, Va., who submitted general testimony.

Hearings continue Friday, April 1.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Welfare and Pension Fund Subcommittee continued its hearings with regard to the establishment and operations of the welfare fund of the Laundry Workers International Union. Testimony was heard from Francis X. Plant, staff member of the subcommittee, who concluded his testimony begun yesterday, and from Frederick Russell, president, Security Mutual Life Insurance Co., who was accompanied by his associates. Hearings continue tomorrow.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee continued its hearings on the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries. Testifying today were Representative Gray, who discussed unemployment in the coal and fluorspar industries; Austin V. Wood, of the Wheeling, W. Va., Intelligencer, who testified regarding the coal, glass, and pottery industries; and Harold D. Brown, office of Senator Douglas, who presented to the subcommittee a petition of a number of coal miners in the State of Illinois.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

SMALL BUSINESS—ANNUAL REPORT

Select Committee on Small Business: The committee met in executive session and gave final approval to its annual report, which will be submitted to the Senate sometime next week.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, March 28, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee met for executive consideration of H. R. 2967, to strengthen the Reserve forces. Recessed on the subject until Monday morning.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals approved for reporting to the full committee the remaining portion of Army project No. 124, NIKE in Boston, Mass.; and Army project No. 129, a lease in Columbus, Ohio. Also held complete discussion and analysis of Army project No. 86, Fort Bliss, Tex. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee resumed its public hearings on H. R. 3753, relating to integration of personnel of the D. C. Fire Department. Representatives of Fire Department employee organizations and civic associations presented testimony. Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy heard executive testimony today from the following officials of the Department of State—Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; Hamlin Robinson, Special Assistant, Office of International Financial and Development Affairs; and Isaiah Frank, Deputy Director, Office of International Trade and Resources.

Following the session, Subcommittee Chairman Hays (Arkansas) stated that Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Kalijarvi described the principal results of the Geneva negotiations on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). Mr. Kalijarvi informed the subcommittee that the administration will shortly request Congress to approve United States participation in a new international body, the Organization for Trade Cooperation, which would administer the GATT. In view of the previous interest of the committee in the International Finance Corporation, the Department of

State representative also described the latest developments on this subject.

HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation received opposition testimony during today's consideration of H. R. 2388, to authorize construction, maintenance, and operation of a hydroelectric project on the Tuolumne River, Calif. Members of Congress from California, appearing against enactment, were Representatives Shelley, Mailliard, Johnson, Miller, and Younger. Public opponent witnesses were Harry E. Lloyd, chief engineer of the Hetch-Hetchy Water Supply, San Francisco, Calif.; and James H. Turner, public utilities manager for San Francisco; Thomas Mellon, San Francisco Chamber of Commerce; Franck R. Havenner, former Member of Congress, representing the San Francisco Labor Council; George Johns, secretary of the same council; R. B. Hanson, senior civil engineer, and F. L. Requa, senior electrical engineer, for San Francisco. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: At today's public hearing on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act, Members of Congress spoke on pending bills which they have introduced in this session, as follows—Representatives Boggs (H. R. 4168), Staggers (H. R. 4943), Rogers of Texas (H. R. 3703, 3940, and 3941), Vanik (H. R. 3490), and Van Zandt (H. R. 5068). Representative Zablocki spoke in opposition to H. R. 4560 and 4675, which would exempt independent producers and gatherers of gas from Federal Power Commission control.

In the afternoon session, John W. Boatwright, an economist for the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, urged enactment of H. R. 4560. Statements for the record were filed today by Representative Kee, author of H. R. 5097; R. C. Lawton, oil and gas producer, Magnolia, Ark.; Russell Brown, general counsel, Independent Petroleum Association of America; J. P. Jones, oil and gas producer, Bradford, Pa.; and Clarence Smith, attorney and oil and gas producer, Flora, Ill. Hearings will be resumed next Tuesday morning.

AIR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications received testimony on air navigational aids during an afternoon public hearing from Milton Arnold, vice president, Air Transport Association. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported favorably to the full committee 14 private immigration bills, and H. Con. Res. 98 and H. Con. Res. 99, amended, granting permanent residence to certain aliens. Also reported adversely on 14 private immigration bills.

ACADIANS—WAR POWERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 ordered reported to the full committee H. Con. Res. 50, commemorating the 200th anniversary of the migration of the Acadians from Nova Scotia to Louisiana and other areas; and H. R. 4052, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act of 1941.

Representative Willis, author of H. Con. Res. 50, testified on the proposal along with Representative Thompson of Louisiana, author of a similar resolution (H. Con. Res. 49).

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Operations and activities of the Coast Guard were further discussed today with testimony being received from Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant; and Adm. Kenneth K. Cowart, Engineer in Chief. Recessed until Tuesday morning when it will begin a series of similar discussions with officials of the Panama Canal Company.

GASOLINE STATION OPERATIONS

Select Committee on Small Business: Announced that the Subcommittee on Distribution Problems (Representative Roosevelt, chairman), would conduct a 3-day study (March 28–31) to hear gasoline-station operators from various States regarding alleged coercive, discriminatory, and related practices by major oil companies against retail station operators. The hearings will commence at 3 p. m., and be held in 429 Old House Office Building on Monday and room 445 on Tuesday and Wednesday. Representatives of companies have been invited to attend and will be given an opportunity to submit questions and relevant facts to the subcommittee for its consideration. In addition, these companies will be given an opportunity to testify at later hearings.

Joint Committee Meetings

TAXATION

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates. The conferees agreed to accept the Senate version of this bill, eliminating the provision passed by the House to provide a $20 tax credit against individual income tax for each personal exemption.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 53 measures on call of calendar.
House passed Agriculture Department appropriation bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3776–3797

Bills Introduced: 18 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows S. 1558–1575; S. J. Res. 60–61; and S. Res. 84. Pages 3778–3779, 3784

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 37, to amend the act increasing the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service in order to make such increase permanent (S. Rept. 122);

S. 460, to amend the law with respect to life preservers for river steamers (S. Rept. 123); and

S. 651, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers, with amendments (S. Rept. 124). Page 3778

Military Pay: By unanimous consent, Committee on Armed Services was authorized to report H. R. 4720, military pay bill, on Tuesday during recess of Senate, and if the bill is so reported, it was agreed that Senate may proceed to its consideration on Wednesday, March 30, immediately after the morning-hour business. Page 3776

Internal Security: Subcommittee on Internal Security was authorized to meet during sessions of Senate through Thursday, March 31. Page 3776

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 53 measures, of which 41 were private, were passed as follows:

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Printing: H. Con. Res. 85, authorizing the printing as a House document the pamphlet, Our American Government, What Is It? How Does It Function?

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Armed services pay: S. 804, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949, regarding advance payments to members of uniformed services;

Forest lands: S. 72, providing that certain lands acquired by U. S. shall be administered by Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands;

Threats against President-elect: S. 734, to provide penalties for threats against President-elect and Vice President;

Obscene matter: S. 599, to prohibit transportation of obscene matters in interstate commerce;

Obscene matter: S. 600, relating to mailing of obscene matter;

Virgin Islands: S. 1166, regarding importation of livestock and poultry into the Virgin Islands;

Soil conservation: S. 1167, to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act;

Wheat: S. 46, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1939, so as to exempt certain wheat producers from liability under the act where all the wheat crop is fed or used for seed on the farm;

Private bills: 36 private bills: S. Con. Res. 17, S. 39, 128, 129, 131, 143, 167, 195, 243, 271, 323, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 375, 378, 386, 394, 409, 412, 416, 429, 432, 465, 466, 471, 474, 481, 585, 632, 640, 735, 891, 1021;

With amendment and cleared for House:

Armed services: S. 802, to amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act regarding removal of requirement for final physical examination;

Canadian vessels: S. 948, to provide transportation on Canadian vessels between Alaska and the U. S.;

Private bills: Five private bills: S. 163, 244, 245, 246, 503.

Resolution adopted with amendment:

Committee expenses: S. Res. 72, authorizing expenditures for hearings and investigations by Committee on Armed Services ($160,000). Pages 3797–3806

Railroad Passenger-Deficit: The 1954 report on the Railroad Passenger-Deficit Problem, prepared by special committee of the National Association of Railroad and Utility Commissioners, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 24. Page 3788

Recess: Recessed at 4:35 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUSES—DAIRY PRODUCTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses continued its hearings, with testimony today regarding the disposal of surplus dairy products. Witnesses heard were Patrick B. Healey, assistant secretary, National Milk Producers Federation; Otie Reed, Washington representative of the Joint Committee of the National Creameries Association and the American Butter Institute; E. W. Gaumnitz, executive secretary, National Cheese Institute, Chicago; and Philip L. Haymes, United Milk Products Co., Cleveland, representing the Evaporated Milk Association. Hearings continue Thursday, March 31.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, the committee heard testimony today, as follows:

On funds for U. N. technical assistance—Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., U. S. Mission to the U. N.; FOA Director Harold Stassen; and Christopher H. Phillips, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs;

On funds for the U. S. Tax Court—Chief Judge John W. Kern; and

On funds for the Export-Import Bank—Glen E. Edgerton, president and chairman of the bank.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TITANIUM

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on National Stockpile and Naval Petroleum Reserves held an executive session to consider matters pertaining to titanium, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee began executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but made no announcements and will continue its consideration tomorrow.

NATO BRIEFING

Committee on Foreign Relations: On Saturday, March 26, the committee met in executive session to receive a briefing with regard to NATO matters from Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe. The general submitted to the committee his assessment of the present capabilities of NATO, with particular regard to Germany's contribution to NATO's strength. He stated that the Soviet Union was very active in political warfare, particularly through its public information programs and trade practices. General Gruenther stated that the European countries believe wholeheartedly in NATO, and consider it most necessary for their survival.

INDIAN BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings, with testimony, as indicated, on the following proposed Indian legislation:

On S. 536 and S. 746, providing for return to former owners of mineral interests in certain lands acquired in connection with Garrison Dam project, with favoring testimony from Senators Langer and Young; Martin Cross, representing Fort Berthold Tribe, North Dakota; and Quinton Schulte and Harold Mueller, both of North Dakota;

On S. 1373, to promote the economic use of Indian lands and alleviate and adjust the heirship problem involved in Indian trust or restricted allotments, with favoring testimony from Paschal Sherman, National Congress of American Indians, Washington, D. C.; Moses Two Bulls and William Firethunder, both Sioux Indians, Pine Ridge, S. Dak.; and Edward P. Whiteman, Crow Indian of Montana; and

On S. 27 and S. 51, relating to jurisdiction over criminal offenses or civil actions committed or arising on Indian reservations, with favoring testimony from Eagle Seelatsee, Alex Saluskin, Otis Shiloh, and Joe Meninick, all Yakima Indians of Washington; Paschal Sherman; William Firethunder; Moses Two Bulls; Martin Cross; and George Hogan, a Crow Indian.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings with regard to the establishment and operations of the welfare fund of the Laundry Workers International Union, the Welfare and Pension Fund Subcommittee heard testimony today from Evelyn Horner, employee of social security department, Laundry Workers International Union, and Louis B. Saperstein, an insurance broker of Newark, N. J., both of whom were accompanied by their attorney, Walter Van Riper, of Newark.

On Saturday, March 26, testimony with regard to this matter was heard from Concetta Montefusco, former bookkeeper of Harlew Agency, Inc., Newark, and Charles Naddeo, vice president of local 10 (Laundry Workers), Philadelphia.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continuing its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, Subcommittee on Public Roads heard testimony today from the following witnesses: Joseph Campbell, Comptroller General, accompanied by Robert F. Keller, Assistant to Comptroller, Robert L. Long, Director of Audits, and Stephen B. Haycock, Office of General Counsel, all of GAO, who appeared in opposition to S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the national system of interstate highways. Mr. Campbell opposed this bill because of what he termed objectionable methods of financing the construction of highways under the proposed Federal Highway Corporation.

Testimony was also heard from C. R. McMillen, chief engineer, South Carolina State Highway Department, who favored enactment of S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act to authorize appropriations for continuing the construction of highways.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 42 public bills, H. R. 5239–5280; 15 private bills, H. R. 5281–5295; and 9 resolutions, H. J. Res. 263–268, H. Con. Res. 102, and H. Res. 195 and 196, were introduced. Pages 3892–3893

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 5239, Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration appropriation bill for 1956, filed on March 25 (H. Rept. 303);

H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriation bill for fiscal year 1956, filed on March 26 (H. Rept. 304);

Conference report on H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal tax rate and of certain excise tax rates (H. Rept. 305);

H. R. 230, amending act of July 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 681) (H. Rept. 306); and

Two private bills, H. R. 973 and 977 (H. Repts. 307 and 308, respectively). Page 3892

Agriculture Appropriations: Adopted a corrective amendment and passed by a voice vote H. R. 5239, making appropraitions for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956.

As reported the bill recommends $694,107,434 for regular activities, $40,977,474 more than provided in 1955, and $17,424,524 less than the budget estimates. The bill also authorizes loan authorizations of $388 million, an increase of $25 million over 1955, and $11 million less than the budget estimates. The bill provides $27,634,659 for the Commodity Credit Corporation, of which $1,634,659 is for restoration of capital impairment and $26 million for administrative expenses. Funds for the Farm Credit Administration are set at $6,290,000. A total of $184,517,957 is recommended for special activities. Pages 3828–3881

Further Program: It was announced that the House would act on Wednesday on the conference report on H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates. Page 3824

Bill Referred: S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government, was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 3890

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:21 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 2967, to provide for strengthening the Reserve forces.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Canceled scheduled hearing for April 1 on the draft bill International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. The meetings this week will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday only.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation resumed public hearings in connection with upper Colorado River storage projects, receiving favorable testimony from Senator Watkins, of Utah, and opposition from Representative Baldwin, of California. Other witnesses, also opposing the proposal today, were Richard Bradley, of the Department of Physics, Cornell University, New York; Dr. Harold Bradley, Berkeley, Calif.; Charles H. Callison, conservation director, National Wildlife Federation; Dr. David Bradley, member of the New Hampshire State Legislature; Fred M. Packard, executive secretary, National Parks Association; Howard Zahniser, executive secretary, Wilderness Society; Richard H. Pough, American Museum of Natural History, New York City; Joseph W. Penfold, Izaak Walton League. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered 22 private immigration bills reported favorably to the full committee. Reported adversely on 11 others.

POSTAL CONTRACTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Alexander subcommittee considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4938, relating to contracts for the conduct of contract postal stations. Witnesses heard were John H. Martiny, legislative attorney for the General Accounting Office; and Louis J. Doyle, Associate Solicitor, Post Office Department, accompanied by L. B. Schoonover, Director, Division of Post Office Services.

MONEY ORDERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Pfost subcommittee considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4817, relating to the payment of money orders. Testifying on this proposal were Louis J. Doyle, Associate Solicitor, Post Office Department; Albert J. Robinson, Assistant Postmaster General, Bureau of Finance; and John H. Martiny, GAO legislative attorney.

GASOLINE-STATION OPERATIONS

Select Committee on Small Business: Roosevelt Subcommittee No. 5 conducted an executive hearing in connection with its study of alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by major oil companies against retail

gasoline-station operators. The following witnesses were heard at today's session—Mrs. Ethel Powell, Fitzgerald, Ga.; Ed Horton, Manchester, Ga.; Roger Stubbs, Seattle, Wash.; Clarence Robbins, Jr., Rockville, Md.; Glen Manchester, Cheektowaga, N. Y.; and Walter Faxlanger, Williamsville, N. Y. Subcommittee recessed until tomorrow afternoon when other retail operators are scheduled to appear.

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HIGHLIGHTS

House passed 66 private and 9 miscellaneous public bills.

Senate Armed Services Committee approved military pay bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 30, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, with testimony on items, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

State Department items: (1) Salaries and Expenses—with testimony from Loy W. Henderson, Deputy Under Secretary for Administration; (2) Contributions to International Organizations—with testimony from Henry F. Holland, Assistant Secretary for Inter-American Affairs; and (3) International Contingencies—with testimony from David McK. Key, Assistant Secretary for International Organization Affairs—all of whom were accompanied by Isaac W. Carpenter, Jr., Controller, and Edward B. Wilber, Deputy Controller and Budget Officer;

Federal Communications Commission—Robert W. Cox, Executive Officer and Budget Officer, Office of Administration;

Federal Power Commission—Chairman Jerome K. Kuykendall, and his assistants;

National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics—Dr. John F. Victory, Executive Secretary, NACA, and his assistants; and

Veterans' Administration—H. V. Higley, Administrator of VA, and assistants.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY PAY, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. Major amendments adopted would: (1) In addition to provisions of House-passed bill, provide $100 monthly increase for three-star generals and admirals on active duty, and $200 monthly increase for four-star generals and admirals on active duty; and (2) amend section 303 (c) of Career Compensation Act by adding a subsection to allow members of uniformed services, who transport a house trailer or mobile dwelling within the U. S. for use as a residence, a reasonable allowance of not to exceed 20 cents per mile, or to the dislocation allowance authorized in this section, whichever he shall elect.

The committee ordered favorably reported 91 nominations in the Army, Naval Reserve, and Marine Corps.

The committee also established a Preparedness Subcommittee under authority of S. Res. 72, and appointed the following members thereto: Senators Johnson of Texas (chairman), Kefauver, Stennis, Symington, Bridges, Saltonstall, and Flanders. All members of the full committee will serve as ex officio members of this subcommittee.

The committee also announced that it had approved a report of its Subcommittee on Officer Grade Limitation.

NATO TREATY

Committee on Armed Services: The Status of Forces Subcommittee met in executive session to hear testimony with regard to article 7 of the NATO Treaty, which article provides for jurisdictional arrangements between the U. S. and the NATO countries with regard to criminal jurisdiction which the NATO governments exercise over U. S. troops stationed in NATO countries. Witnesses heard today were Brig. Gen. George W. Hickman, Assistant JAG, Army, and Monroe Leigh, Office of General Counsel, Office of Secretary of Defense. Subcommittee will meet again Thursday, March 31.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but made no announcements and will continue its consideration tomorrow.

NATO TREATY, AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 4941, Foreign Service Act amendments of 1955. Committee also approved the nominations of John M. Allison, of Nebraska, presently Ambassador to Japan, to serve concurrently as representative of the U. S. to the Eleventh Session of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East of the Economic and Social Council of the U. N.; Joseph E. Jacobs, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to Poland; Joseph C. Satterthwaite, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Burma; and 27 nominations in the Foreign Service.

Prior to this executive meeting, the committee held open hearings to receive testimony from Secretary of State Dulles in favor of Senate ratification of protocol on the termination of the occupation regime in the Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. L, 83d Cong., 2d sess.), and protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty on the accession of the Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. M, 83d Cong., 2d sess.). Hearings continue on these treaties tomorrow.

UPPER COLORADO RIVER STORAGE PROJECT, AND NOMINATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects.

Committee also approved for reporting the nomination of J. Reuel Armstrong to be Solicitor of the Department of Interior. Prior to approval of this nomination, hearings were held thereon, with testimony in his behalf from Senators Barrett and O'Mahoney, and Representative Thomson of Wyoming. Mr. Armstrong appeared in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee the nominations of Warren L. Jones, of Florida, to be U. S. circuit judge, Fifth Circuit, and Gerald R. Corbett, Hawaii, to be sixth judge of First Circuit, Circuit Courts, Territory of Hawaii.

Prior to approval of these nominations, hearings were held thereon, with testimony in behalf of Mr. Jones from Senators Holland and Smathers, and in behalf of Mr. Corbett from Delegate Farrington.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Welfare and Pension Funds continued its hearings with regard to the establishment and operations of the welfare fund of the Laundry Workers International Union. Witnesses today were Louis B. Saperstein, an insurance broker of Newark, N. J.; Eugene C. James, international secretary-treasurer and head of local 46, Laundry Workers; and Matthew J. Dooley, member of board of trustees, social security department, Laundry Workers International Union. Mr. Saperstein refused, on constitutional grounds of possible self-incrimination, to answer some questions of the subcommittee, and Mr. James refused to answer, on the same grounds, all questions asked of him by the subcommittee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continuing its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, the Public Roads Subcommittee heard testimony today from Attorney General Herbert Brownell, who supported enactment of S. 1160, to create a Federal highway corporation for financing construction of the national system of interstate highways, and to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act.

The subcommittee also heard testimony from Commissioner of Public Roads C. D. Curtiss, who answered questions of the subcommittee with regard to this proposed legislation.

Hearings continue Thursday, March 31.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H. R. 5296–5315; 10 private bills, H. R. 5316–5325; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 269 and 270, and H. Con. Res. 103 and 104, were introduced. **Pages 3955, 3956**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 752, repeal of buy-back provision of Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (H. Rept. 309); and

H. Res. 174, amending the rules of the House of Representatives to increase the pay of witnesses to $9 per day (H. Rept. 310). Page 3956

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Loyalty Day: H. J. Res. 184, providing for the recognition of May 1, 1955, as Loyalty Day.

Onions: H. R. 122, amending the Commodity Exchange Act so as to include onions.

Fungible goods: H. R. 1831, to protect innocent purchasers of converted fungible goods.

Military damage claims: H. R. 3557, relating to settlement of claims for damages to, or loss, or destruction of property or personal injury or death caused by military personnel or certain civilian employees of the United States.

Coast Guard claims: H. R. 3661, relating to settlement of claims of military and civilian personnel of the Coast Guard.

Nurses: H. R. 4051, providing for relief of certain Army and Air Force nurses.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Alaska Railroad leases: H. R. 3338, to extend Alaska Railroad leases to 55 years instead of 20 years.

Coast Guard contracts: H. R. 3885, to authorize the waiving of the requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts.

Passed over without prejudice:

Military relief: H. R. 3560, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

Military damage claims: H. R. 3561, settlement of claims for damages occasioned by Army, Navy, and Marine Corps forces in foreign countries.

Antitrust: H. R. 3659, to increase criminal penalties under the Sherman Antitrust Act.

Military personnel claims: H. R. 3996, to further amend the Military Personnel Claims Act of 1945.

Pages 3927–3932

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 465 (in lieu of H. R. 1672).

Concluded legislative action on H. Res. 93.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 872, 876, 886, 888, 890, 907, 911, 913, 921, 923, 924, 958, 970, 971, 976, 984, 1008, 1009, 1012, 1044, 1069, 1146, 1163, 1166, 1196, 1220, 1346, 1360, 1496, 1643, 1656, 1660, 1679, 2361, 2731, 2762, 2764, 3738, 4043, and 4549.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 891, 957, 1045, 1062, 1081, 1085, 1086, 1108, 1165, 1203, 1351, 1501, 1502, 1691, 2087, 2261, 2276, 2346, 2747, 2954, 3020, 3526, and 4642.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 1111, 1206, 1393, 1747, and 2068.

Recommitted: H. R. 1961. Pages 3932–3941

Private Bill: S. 632, a private bill, was passed without amendment and cleared for Presidential action. Page 3941

Antitrust: Rejected a recommittal motion and passed by a voice vote H. R. 3659, to increase criminal penalties under the Sherman Antitrust Act. The bill increases the penalty for violation of the Antitrust Act from $5,000 to $50,000. Rejected several amendments that sought to further increase the penalty. H. Res. 180, the rule for the consideration of the bill, was previously adopted. Pages 3941–3950

Easter Recess: Adopted H. Con. Res. 103, providing that when the two Houses of Congress adjourn on Monday, April 4, they stand adjourned until Wednesday, April 13, at 12 o'clock meridian. Page 3955

Bills Referred: 49 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 3955–3956

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL STOCK REPLACEMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported favorably to the House, S. 752, to amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from Commodity Credit Corporation stocks.

MILITARY-NAVAL REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Approved the following disposals of Navy projects today—No. 31, naval air station, Arcata, Calif.; No. 34, outlying fields to naval air station, Pensacola, Fla.; No. 36, outlying fields to naval air station, Dallas, Tex.; No. 38, naval storehouse, Point Pleasant, W. Va.; No. 41, Dutch Island, Newport, R. I.; No. 42, Smartt Field, outlying to naval air station, St. Louis, Mo.; No. 43, Plymouth Field, outlying to naval air station, Squantum, Mass.; No. 45, Misham Point Military Reservation, Dartmouth, Mass.; and No. 49, outlying fields to naval air station, Jacksonville, Fla.

Also approved Navy construction project No. 8, in the eastern Mediterranean; and the remaining portions of Army project No. 124, NIKE sites in Boston, Mass.; and Army project No. 129, a lease in Columbus, Ohio.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed public hearings in connection with its study of proposed Federal assistance to States for school construction. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare testified today along with Samuel M. Brownell, Commissioner of the Office of Education (HEW). The witnesses presented, by testimony and chart explanation, an analysis of the objectives contained in the administration's program in this field. The departmental officials were accompanied by assistants and staff members. Recessed until tomorrow when the same witnesses are scheduled to resume.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in an executive session, following which public hearings were resumed for further consideration of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. The following testified—Representative Multer, of New York; Walworth Barbour, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs; and Henry J. Clay, U. S. Commissioner, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Government and public witnesses are scheduled to testify.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following resolutions reported to the House—

H. Res. 98, to provide appropriation of $125,000 for study by Committee on the Judiciary; and

H. Res. 195, providing two additional messengers for the House Post Office.

Also agreed to request that the House accept the amendments of the Senate to H. Con. Res. 85, increasing from 300,000 to 305,250 additional copies of a House pamphlet, entitled "Our American Government, What Is It? How Does It Function?"

ARIZONA LANDS—ALASKA POWER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 1602, land conveyance authority by the town of Tempe, Ariz., to the Salt River Agricultural Improvement and Power District; and

H. R. 3990, amended, authorizing Federal investigation of water resources projects in Alaska.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when Secretary of Interior McKay will discuss power directive Budget Circular No. A-47.

MINES AND MINING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee met with officials of the Office of Minerals Mobilization for a discussion of purposes and objectives of this newly established agency. Meeting with the group were Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources, Department of the Interior; and William S. Floyd, Assistant Director, Office of Defense Mobilization for Materials. Both departmental representatives were accompanied by assistants and staff members. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Testimony in favor of H. R. 4560 and 4675, exempting independent producers and gatherers of gas from FPC regulation, was expressed today by John Merriam, president, Independent Natural Gas Users Association of America, and also president of Northern Natural Gas Pipe Line Co., Omaha, Nebr. A statement in support of the same proposal was filed for the record by William Jackman, president, Investors League, Inc., New York City. Recessed until tomorrow morning, when Mr. Merriam returns for committee interrogation, followed by other proponent witnesses.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Representatives of the Defense Department testified today before Subcommittee No. 5 at its hearings on wiretapping legislation (H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5096). The witnesses were Charles R. Wilson, Department of the Navy; Gilbert R. Levy, Department of the Air Force; and Col. J. E. Stearns and Lt. Col. George P. Miller, both of the Department of the Army. Hearing will be continued tomorrow morning.

PANAMA CANAL ZONE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Began discussions of Federal activities and operations in the Canal Zone, meeting with John S. Seybold, Governor of the Canal Zone and President of the Panama Canal Company. Mr. Seybold is also scheduled to return for tomorrow's meeting.

EMPLOYEE QUARTERS, ENGINEERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Moss subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4936, to authorize the furnishing of subsistence and quarters without charge to employees of the Corps of Engineers engaged on floating plant operations. Representatives of the General Accounting Office, Department of the Army, and Federal employee organizations testified on the proposal, while statements urging

favorable action on the proposal were submitted by Representative Morrison, author of the bill, and Senator Long, of Louisiana.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: The Blatnik subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4426, to amend the act of 1922 relating to installation of telephones in certain private residences for Federal use; H. R. 4788, to provide for disposal of federally owned property at obsolescent canalized waterways; and H. R. 3879, to amend the act of 1945 pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg.

Also approved the following review resolutions for reporting to the full committee—

Oakland Harbor, Calif. Estimated cost, $25,000 for review study of survey scope.

Puget Sound and tributary waters to Seattle, Wash., area. Estimated cost, $3,000 for a review study of preliminary scope.

Mississippi River between the Missouri River and Minneapolis, Minn., re damages at or near Clarksville, Mo., resulting from prosecution of the navigation project on the Mississippi River. Estimated cost, $5,000 for a review study of survey scope.

Harbor of Refuge at Sandy Bay, Cape Ann, Mass. No additional cost involved since the Committee on Public Works of the Senate, on May 20, 1954, adopted a resolution authorizing this review study.

Penobscot River, Maine, re navigation improvements in Eastern River. Estimated cost, $2,000 for a review of preliminary scope.

Brazos River mouth at Freeport, Tex. Report on this resolution may be incorporated in the report authorized by the committee in a resolution adopted September 27, 1951.

Port of Kingston, Wash. Estimated cost, $2,500 for a review study of preliminary scope.

Calumet Sag Channel, Ill., and Indiana Harbor and Canal, Ind., study re conditions of local cooperation with special reference to highway bridges. Estimated cost, $3,500 for review of survey scope.

Clear Creek and Clear Lake, Tex. Estimated cost, $5,300 for review study of survey scope.

Cheboygan Harbor and River, Mich., re construction of piers protecting the channel entrance. Estimated cost, $3,300 for review study of preliminary scope.

Humboldt Bay, Calif., re anchorage areas. Estimated cost, $25,000 for review study of survey scope.

Bon Secour River, Ala. Estimated cost, $5,000 for review study of survey scope.

San Joaquin River and Stockton Channel, Calif. (city of Antioch). Estimated cost, $8,000 for review study of preliminary scope.

Jarbo Bayou, Tex. Clear Creek and Clear Lake, Galveston and Harris Counties, Tex. Estimated cost, $5,300 for review study of survey scope.

Gloucester Harbor and Annisquam River, Mass. Review study of survey scope at an estimated cost of $9,200, which may be combined with the authorized Annisquam River survey.

James River, Va. Originally requested by Representative Gary. Committee authorized a preliminary study, limited to $10,000 cost, on April 5, 1949. The Chief of Engineers asked authority on February 23, 1951, to make a survey at an estimated cost of $157,000. The Committee on Public Works of the Senate, on August 13, 1954, adopted a resolution authorizing a survey study. On January 28, 1955, approval of the survey by this committee was requested by Representative Abbitt.

Great Egg Harbor Inlet, N. J. Committee, on June 27, 1950, authorized a preliminary study. The Chief of Engineers, on December 13, 1954, asked authority to proceed with the survey study at an estimated cost of $3,000.

San Juan Harbor, P. R. Committee, on September 27, 1951, authorized a preliminary study. The Chief of Engineers, on July 28, 1954, asked authority to proceed with the survey study at an estimated cost of $19,800.

Turning Basin in Arthur Kill, N. Y. and N. J. Committee, on June 11, 1952, authorized a preliminary study. The Chief of Engineers, on July 8, 1954, asked authority to proceed with the survey study at an estimated cost of $13,000 for the turning basins alone and $28,000 for a survey study including channel enlargement as well as turning basins.

INDEPENDENT OFFICES—WITNESSES—DROUGHT—SUBPENAS

Committee on Rules: Refused request to grant a rule waiving points of order against H. R. 5240, the independent offices appropriation bill for 1956. Representatives Thomas and Phillips spoke in support of the rule request. Speaking in opposition were Representatives Yates, Brown of Georgia, Spence, Patman, and Rains.

Agreed to report to the House H. Res. 174, to amend the House Rules so as to increase the pay of witnesses to $9 per day. Representative Burleson urged favorable consideration of this measure.

The committee also considered, but deferred action on, H. Con. Res. 58 and 59, to create a joint committee to investigate drought conditions and the drought program; and H. Res. 144, relating to jurisdictional study by Committee on Public Works and subpena power. Representatives Albert and Edmondson, respective authors of H. Con. Res. 58 and 59, explained their resolutions. Speaking on behalf of H. Res. 144 were Representatives Fallon, Dondero, Davis of Tennessee, and Smith of Mississippi.

Committee recessed until tomorrow morning.

GASOLINE-STATION OPERATORS

Select Committee on Small Business: Roosevelt Subcommittee No. 5 continued public hearings in connection with its study of alleged discriminatory and coercive practices against retail gasoline dealers by major oil companies. Station operators testifying today were Walter Faxlanger, Williamsville, N. Y.; Tom Hipple, Detroit, Mich.; Arthur Katz, Columbus, Ohio; John W. Neurlinger, Jr., Detroit, Mich.; James V. Cresente, Garfield Heights, Ohio; Henry Vincent Brady, Pawtucket, R. I.; and Louis Puerini, of Providence, R. I. Subcommittee recessed until tomorrow afternoon.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses were addressed by Prime Minister Scelba of Italy, and cleared military pay bill for White House.

Senate passed bills on tobacco and Foreign Service pay.

House passed independent offices appropriations and cleared tax-extension bill for the White House.

Bills on naval ship construction, airline certificates, and mental health study cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3969–4004

Bills Introduced: 40 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1576 to S. 1615; S. J. Res. 62 and 63; and S. Res. 85 and 86. Pages 3982–3983, 3991, 3992

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances, with amendments—reported during recess of Senate on March 28 pursuant to previous authorization (S. Rept. 125);

S. 1217, authorizing Secretary of Army to contract with city of McCormick, S. C., for sale of water from Clark Hill Reservoir, with amendment (S. Rept. 126);

H. R. 4941, Foreign Service Act amendments of 1955 (S. Rept. 127);

S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects, with amendments (S. Rept. 128); and

Annual report of the Select Committee on Small Business (S. Rept. 129). Pages 3968, 3978, 3981–3982

Bills Referred: 73 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 3967–3968

Tin Smelting: By unanimous consent, Committees on Armed Services and Banking and Currency were granted authority to file report by April 30, 1955, on tin smelting in U. S., pursuant to S. Res. 254 (83d Cong., 2d sess.). Page 3968

Colorado River: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was granted 10 days in which to file its report on S. 500, upper Colorado River storage project, together with minority and separate views thereon. Page 3978

Small Business: Senator Kuchel was appointed a member of the Select Committee on Small Business. Page 4043

Military Pay: Senate passed with committee amendments H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances. Pages 4004–4013

Italian Prime Minister: Prime Minister Scelba of Italy visited and addressed the Senate. Pages 4013–4015

Tobacco Marketing Quota: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 4951, to redetermine the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year, after rejecting a series of Ervin amendments respecting reduction of allotments of fractional acreages of burley tobacco.

S. 1547, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed. S. 1325, 1326, and 1327, of a similar nature, were also indefinitely postponed. Pages 4013, 4015–4025

Tobacco Acreage: Senate passed without amendment S. 1436, to preserve the tobacco acreage history of farms which voluntarily withdraw from the production of tobacco. Page 4025

Foreign Service Act: Senate passed without amendment H. R. 4941, Foreign Service Act amendments of 1955, clearing bill for President. Pages 4025–4026

Temporary Adjournment: Senate concurred in H. Con. Res. 103, providing that when the two Houses of Congress adjourn on Monday, April 4, they stand adjourned until Wednesday, April 13, at 12 noon. Page 4026

NATO Treaties—German Accession: Committee on Foreign Relations was authorized to report during recess of Senate two protocols with Germany, (1) on termination of occupation of Federal Republic of Germany, and (2) accession of Federal Republic of Germany to NATO (Exec. L and M, respectively, 83d Cong., 2d sess.). Page 4026

Appointments to Boards and Commissions: The following appointments were made to various boards and commissions:

Board of Visitors to U. S. Military Academy—Senator Potter;

Board of Visitors to U. S. Naval Academy—Senator Dirksen;

Board of Visitors to Coast Guard Academy—Senator Bush;

National Historical Publications Commission—Senator Bennett;

Board of Visitors to Gallaudet College—Senator Thye;

Board of Regents of Smithsonian Institution—Senators Anderson and Saltonstall;

National Monument Commission—Senators Scott, Neuberger, Allott, and Bender;

Commission on Intergovernmental Relations—Senators Schoeppel and Butler;

Commission on Governmental Use of International Telecommunications—Senators Magnuson and Duff;

Woodrow Wilson Centennial Commission—Senators Robertson and Smith (of New Jersey);

Joint Committee on Reduction of Nonessential Federal Expenditures—Senators Ellender, Holland, and Dirksen from Committee on Appropriations; and Senators Byrd, George, and Martin (of Pennsylvania) from Committee on Finance;

Joint Committee on Immigration and Naturalization Policy—Senators Eastland, Kilgore, Hennings, Watkins, and Jenner;

Navajo-Hopi Indian Administration—Senators Anderson, Bible, and Goldwater. Page 4043

Confirmations: 27 Diplomatic and Foreign Service nominations were confirmed. Pages 4044–4045

Recess: Recessed at 6:13 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, the committee heard testimony today on items, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

On funds for technical assistance programs—Senator Smith of New Jersey;

Department of Labor, Bureau of Employment Security—unemployment compensation for Federal employees—Robert C. Goodwin, Director, BES;

Department of HEW, Office of Education—J. Kenneth Little, Deputy Commissioner, on payments to school districts and assistance for school construction;

PHS—Paul A. Caulk, Executive Officer, on funds for Indian health activities;

Social Security Administration—Victor Christgau, Director, OASI, on salaries and expenses for OASI; J. L. Roney, Director of the Bureau of Public Assistance, on grants to States for public assistance; and Assistant HEW Secretary Bradshaw Mintener, on salaries and expenses of the Office of Field Services.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved Army acquisition project No. 129 at Columbus, Ohio.

The subcommittee also ordered favorably reported to the full committee with an amendment H. R. 2581, authorizing construction of aeronautical research facilities and acquisition of land by National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (amendment would incorporate in the bill the provisions of H. R. 3761, a related bill).

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but made no announcements and will meet again tomorrow.

NATO TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its hearings on protocol on the termination of the occupation regime in the Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. L, 83d Cong., 2d sess.), and protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty on the accession of the Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. M, 83d Cong., 2d sess.). Testimony favoring Senate ratification of these treaties was heard from Deputy Secretary of Defense Robert Anderson. Opposing testimony was heard from Thomas X. Dombrowski and Stanley Nowak, both of Detroit; J. M. Marsalka, Chicago; Mrs. Yetta Metz, Paul Green, and Morris Golden, all of New York City; and James Imbree, of New Jersey. Also testifying was Howard H. Bachrach, an attorney of New York City.

The committee will meet in executive session tomorrow to consider these treaties.

CAA ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Aviation Subcommittee held and concluded hearings on S. 1192, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act to exempt operations in the transportation of livestock, fish, and agricultural, floricultural, and horticultural commodities from the act and from CAB regulations. Testimony favoring its enactment was heard from Representative Younger; Robert H. Roland, executive secretary, Society of American Florists; Mike M. Masaoka, Japanese American Citizens League; William H. Leverett, Flower Consolidators of Southern California; Matt Triggs, assistant legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; Lloyd C. Halvorson, economist, the National Grange; and George Dice, assistant to the Deputy Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service.

Joe Fitzgerald, Director, Bureau of Air Operations, CAB, testified in opposition to its enactment, stating that he considered it premature legislation at this time. Also testifying were Giles Morrow, president, Freight Forwarders Institute; Stuart G. Tipton, general counsel, Air Transport Association; and Charles Washer, of Sears, Roebuck & Co., and representing the American Retail Federation, all of whom opposed the bill in certain respects.

NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Surface Transportation began hearings on the nomination of John A. Hall, of California, to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC. Testimony favoring approval of this nomination was heard from ICC Commissioner Owen Clark, and Guy L. Brown, grand chief, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Witnesses testifying in opposition to Mr. Hall's nomination were H. E. Gilbert, president, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, and Michael Fox, president, Railway Employees Department of AFL.

The nominee was present to testify on his own behalf.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Welfare and Pension Funds Subcommittee continued its hearings regarding the establishment and operations of the welfare fund of the Laundry Workers International Union. Witnesses today were Matthew J. Dooley, member of board of trustees, social security department, Laundry Workers International Union; Orville Faris, president, California Life Insurance Co.; and Anthony J. Taranto, a former employee of the California Life Insurance Co. Hearings continue Monday, April 4.

MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health began hearings today on bills pertaining to mental health (S. J. Res. 46, S. 724, S. 848, and title 6 of S. 886). Testimony was received from the following witnesses: Dr. David B. Allman, member of the board of trustees and chairman of the committee on legislation, American Medical Association; Dr. Leo H. Bartemeier, chairman, council on mental health, AMA; Dr. Daniel Blain, medical director, American Psychiatric Association, Washington, D. C.; Mike Gorman, executive director, National Mental Health Association; and E. B. Whitten, executive director, National Rehabilitation Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 55 public bills, H. R. 5326–5380; 11 private bills, H. R. 5381–5391; and 13 resolutions, H. J. Res. 271–275, H. Con. Res. 105 and 106, and H. Res. 197–202, were introduced.

Pages 4076–4077, 4085, 4092–4094

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 154, to authorize the Committee on Education and Labor to conduct studies and investigations with respect to certain matters within its jurisdiction, amended (H. Rept. 311);

H. Res. 198, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. J. Res. 256, providing for an objective, thorough, and nationwide analysis and re-evaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness (H. Rept. 312);

H. Res. 199, providing for consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4393, to provide for the construction and conversion of certain modern naval vessels (H. Rept. 313);

H. Res. 200, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 2225, to amend section 401 (e) (2) of the Civil Aeronautics Act, as amended (H. Rept. 314);

H. R. 4436, relating to the sale of water from the Clark Hill Reservoir to the city of McCormick, S. C. (H. Rept. 315);

H. Res. 98, to provide funds for study by the Committee on the Judiciary (H. Rept. 316); and

H. Res. 195, authorizing two additional messengers for the House post office (H. Rept. 317). Page 4092

Independent Offices Appropriations: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 5240, the independent offices appropriation bill for 1956. A request for a separate vote on an amendment, offered by Mr. Phillips, and adopted while in the Committee of the Whole, to limit to $1 per month the fee to be paid to educational institutions for reports on veterans enrolled therein, resulted in its rejection by a record vote of 154 yeas to 227 nays. This same language had previously been deleted from the bill when a point of order was lodged against it and sustained.

While in the Committee of the Whole points of order were made against, and resulted in deletion from the bill of language—

Prohibiting Civil Service from imposing a requirement or limitation of maximum age in connection with certain positions in the competitive service.

Limiting authority of Administrator of Housing and Home Finance Agency in connection with reorganizations and reallocations.

Requiring approval of congressional committees for certain loans of the Housing and Home Finance Agency.

Authorizing $300,000 for a special study of the Veterans' Administration compensation and pensions program by the President.

Authorizing transfer of Veterans' Administration funds to Public Health Service, Army, Navy, Air Force,

and Interior for the care and treatment of beneficiaries of the Veterans' Administration.

Adopted an amendment designed to protect civilians from atomic fall-out by procurement and distribution of detection devices to States.

Also adopted an amendment designed to ease stringent age limitations on certain Federal employment.

Rejected amendments that sought to—

Increase by $2,750,000 the funds provided for salaries and expenses of National Science Foundation.

Increase Securities and Exchange Commission appropriations by $138,360 and $80,000.

Earmark $1 million for survey, plans, and specifications for a Veterans' Administration hospital in the vicinity of the District of Columbia.

The bill as reported recommended appropriations of $5,845,595,375, which amount is $44,194,625 under the budget estimates if the $250 million payment to the civil service retirement fund, for which there was no budget estimate, is not included. The amount recommended for 1956 is $732,655,112 larger than the 1955 appropriation. Pages 4046–4070, 4077–4083

Italian Prime Minister: The House recessed and heard a brief address by Prime Minister Scelba of Italy, who was escorted to and from the Chamber by Representatives McCormack, Martin, Richards, and Chiperfield. Page 4071

Taxes: By a record vote of 387 yeas to 8 nays the House adopted the conference report on H. R. 4259, to provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal tax rate and of certain existing excise tax rates, and thereby cleared the legislation for the President. Pages 4071–4076

Education and Labor Study: Adopted a committee substitute amendment that supplied new text and passed H. Res. 154, to authorize the Committee on Education and Labor to conduct studies and investigations with respect to certain matters within its jurisdiction. Page 4083

Water Sale: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. R. 4436, relating to the sale of water from the Clark Hill Reservoir to the city of McCormick, S. C. Pages 4083–4084

Military Career Incentives: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4720, to provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pays and allowances, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Pages 4084–4085

Printing: Agreed to Senate amendments to, and thus concluded legislative action on, H. Con. Res. 85, authorizing the printing as a House document the pamphlet "Our American Government, What Is It? How Does It Function?" Page 4085

Judiciary: Adopted H. Res. 98, to provide appropriation of $125,000 for study by the Committee on the Judiciary. Page 4085

House Post Office: Adopted H. Res. 195, authorizing two additional messengers for the House post office. Page 4085

Mount Vernon, Ohio: Adopted H. Res. 201, to extend felicitations of the House of Representatives to Mount Vernon, Knox County, Ohio, on the celebration of its sesquicentennial. Page 4085

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:51 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM FOOD COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture: The Grant Subcommittee on Domestic Marketing today heard Members of Congress urge enactment of H. R. 2851, to authorize the Commodity Credit Corporation to process farm food commodities for home or institutional use. Those testifying were Representatives Perkins, Van Zandt, Saylor, Bray, and Byrd, while statements for the record were filed by Representatives Kelley of Pennsylvania, Ford, Bailey, Gray, Staggers, Mollohan, and Kee.

Departmental opposition to the proposal was expressed by Walter C. Berger, vice president, Commodity Credit Corporation; and Howard P. Davis, Acting Director, Food Distribution Division, Agricultural Marketing Service. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert special investigating subcommittee heard a report containing recommendations, etc., relating to Fort Dix, N. J. Announced that hearings will be conducted April 14 and 15 regarding Air Force Department procurement of rocket launchers. Students of the Graduate School of Government, Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., were in attendance at today's session.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, was interrogated by committee members today in connection with testimony presented yesterday explaining the administration's proposals on Federal assistance to States for school construction, etc. At this session, Mrs. Hobby, accompanied by Samuel M. Brownell, Commissioner of the Office of Education (HEW), and other staff officials, analyzed and explained, by testimony and charts, the position adopted by the Department. Hearings will continue tomorrow morning for further questioning of Mrs. Hobby.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Received further testimony from Henry J. Clay, U. S. Commissioner,

Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, at today's hearing on the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Also heard Sidney Gross, Chief of the Legal and Legislative Section, Office of Alien Property (Justice Department). Adjourned on the subject until after the Easter recess.

ALASKA ROAD COMMISSION

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources concluded public hearings in connection with its study of the Alaska Road Commission for the fiscal years 1952 through 1954. Today's witnesses were Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska; and C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner of Public Roads, U. S. Department of Commerce.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Committee on House Administration: Met executively today for informal discussion with Dr. L. Quincy Mumford, Librarian of Congress; and Dr. Ernest S. Griffith, Director of the Legislative Reference Service. Their general operations, policies, and proposed future programs were reviewed.

POWER PARTNERSHIPS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Douglas McKay, Secretary of the Interior, discussed Budget Circular A–47 today, relating to power partnerships.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: At today's session to consider H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act, the committee continued with its interrogation of John Merriam, president of the Independent Gas Users Association of America, and president, Northern Natural Gas Pipe Line Co., Omaha, Nebr. He testified yesterday in support of H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulation. Another proponent witness on this subject was E. S. Walker, representing the Governor of New Mexico. Statements favoring H. R. 4560 were submitted for incorporation in the record on behalf of the National Grange, American National Cattlemen's Association, National Association of Manufacturers, and the National Wool Growers Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 heard testimony today from Bernard Spindel, of the New York City Crime Commission, during consideration of the subject of wiretapping for evidence. Bills on this subject pending before the group are H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5096. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PUBLIC DEFENDERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 concluded public hearings on bills (H. R. 3142, 3229, 3881, 4060, and 4103) relating to representation of indigent defenders in U. S. district courts by public defenders. Testimony on the proposals was received from Representatives Celler and Udall, authors of H. R. 3881 and 3142, respectively; Bolitha J. Laws, chief judge, U. S. District Court for the District of Columbia; John A. Danaher, associate judge, U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia; J. Lee Rankin, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; John Biggs, chief judge, U. S. Court of Appeals (3d Circuit), Wilmington, Del.; Emery A. Brownell, National Legal Aid Association, Washington, D. C.; Fred Mandel, representing the Cuyahoga County Bar Association, Cleveland, Ohio; and Henry P. Chandler, Director, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts.

Statements were filed for the record by John J. Parker, chief judge, U. S. Court of Appeals (4th Circuit), Charlotte, N. C.; Harrison Tweed, president, National Legal Aid Association, New York City; and William H. Avery, Jr., American Bar Association.

CANAL ZONE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: John S. Seybold, Governor of the Canal Zone and President of the Panama Canal Company, continued discussion of Federal operations and activities in the Canal Zone. He will resume at tomorrow morning's scheduled meeting.

POSTAL EMPLOYEE BONDING

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee completed a hearing on H. R. 4778, to provide for the purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department, contractors of the Department, and Armed Forces mail clerks. Witnesses heard on the proposal were Representative Alexander, author of the bill; Albert J. Robertson, Assistant Postmaster General and Controller, Bureau of Finance; Adam Wenchel, Chief of Opinions Division, Office of Solicitor; Clarence N. Bruce, Budget Director, Post Office Department; John Martiny, legislative attorney, General Accounting Office; and the following employee organization representatives: Jesse Horton, legislative representative, National Association of Postal Supervisors; William Doherty, president, National Association of Letter Carriers; E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; C. B. Gravitt, Jr., secretary, National League of District Postmasters; Samuel E. Klein, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees' Council; George Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers; Harold McAvoy, president, National Association of Post Office and Postal Transportation Service, Mail Handlers, Watchmen, and Messengers; George Riley, member, Legislative Commission, American Federation of Labor; Ross Messer, leg-

islative representative, National Association of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees; John McCart, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; Austin Latimer, legislative counsel, National Association of Postmasters; and Ernest C. Frazier, legislative assistant, National Alliance of Postal Employees.

A statement for the record was filed by Omar M. House, vice president, National Postal Transport Association. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RIVERS AND HARBORS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4426, to amend the act of 1922 relating to installation of telephones in certain private residences for Federal use;

H. R. 3879, to amend the act of 1945 pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg.;

H. R. 3878, to amend the act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood control work; and

H. R. 4436, relating to the sale of water from the Clark Hill Reservoir to the city of McCormick, S. C.

Approved three flood-control resolutions, as follows—Malheur River and tributaries, Oregon; Canyon Lake Dam, S. Dak.; and Sandy Lick Creek at and in the vicinity of DuBois, Pa.

Also approved 19 river and harbor resolutions which were listed on page D181, Daily Digest of March 29 (Tuesday).

VESSEL CONSTRUCTION—AIRLINE CERTIFICATES—MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 2 hours of general debate on H. R. 4393, relating to construction and repair of naval vessels. Also granted open rules, providing for 1 hour of debate each, on H. R. 2225, granting permanent certificates to local-service airlines; and H. J. Res. 256, Mental Health Study Act of 1955.

Representatives Vinson and Short spoke on behalf of the naval-vessel proposal. Representative Priest requested favorable consideration of rules for H. R. 2225 and H. J. Res. 256, with Representative Williams of Mississippi also supporting the former, and Representative Heselton, the latter. Recessed until tomorrow when rule consideration will be resumed on H. R. 2535, the Hawaiian-Alaskan statehood bill.

COMMITTEE STUDY

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported to the House H. Res. 154, with amendments, authorizing jurisdictional studies and investigations by the Committee on Education and Labor.

GASOLINE-STATION OPERATORS

Select Committee on Small Business: Roosevelt Subcommittee No. 5 conducted its third in a series of afternoon and evening hearings to receive testimony from miscellaneous gasoline-station operators who lease their stations from major oil companies. The subcommittee is studying complaints of these witnesses regarding alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by the major companies against small operators. Representatives of the companies have been invited to attend and submit any questions or facts for consideration which the subcommittee deems relevant. They will be given an opportunity to testify at a later date.

Today's witnesses included Albert E. Hudson, Sinclair, Fla.; Cash B. Hawley, Detroit, Mich.; William D. Snow, Detroit, Mich.; Charles Zemet, Johnstown, Pa.; William J. Atty, Johnstown, Pa.; and Angelo Mazzei, Monessen, Pa., American Oil Co. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Multer Subcommittee No. 2 heard executive testimony today from Small Business Administrator Wendell B. Barnes and officials of his staff. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Also announced that hearings would be conducted April 19 on the Washington Square southeast slum clearance project, New York City. The group will inquire into the effects of the project upon small business in the area, and the legality of the proposed project under Federal law.

Joint Committee Meetings

AIRCRAFT NUCLEAR PROPULSION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Research and Development Subcommittee met in executive session to hear testimony from representatives of the Air Force concerning the status and progress of the aircraft nuclear propulsion program. Witnesses heard were Donald Quarles, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development; Harold Talbott, Secretary of the Air Force; Trevor Gardner, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Research and Development; Gen. Nathan Twining, Chief of Staff of the Air Force; and Gen. Donald Putt, Deputy Chief of Staff, Air Force, for Research and Development.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

AEC SECURITY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Security met in executive session, followed by open hearings, for consideration of security provisions of the Atomic Energy Act. Testimony was heard with regard to this matter from William F. Tompkins, Assistant Attorney General, Internal Security Division; and Dr. W. F. Libby, Commissioner, and William Mitchell, General Counsel, both of the AEC. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

Thursday, March 31, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate Foreign Relations Committee approved treaties on German accession to NATO.

Miscellaneous bills approved by House Judiciary Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, April 1, at 10 a. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL SURPLUSES—FRUITS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings, Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses heard testimony today with regard to disposal of surplus fruits. Witnesses heard were Ernest Falk, manager, Northwest Horticultural Council, Yakima, Wash., and R. A. McArthur, chairman, Prune Administrative Committee, and the California Prune Advisory Board, San Francisco. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, with testimony today on items, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

On funds for the Office of the Architect of the Capitol—J. George Stewart, Architect;

On funds for Joint Senate and House recording facilities—Robert J. Coar, coordinator;

Treasury Department, Bureau of Accounts item—Robert W. Maxwell, Commissioner of Accounts; and

Miscellaneous D. C. items—Walter L. Fowler, budget officer, and William G. Wilding, deputy budget officer, both of the D. C.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NACA, ARMED FORCES, AND AIRCRAFT CARRIER

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills: Without amendment—S. 1137, to extend the authority for the enlistment of aliens in the Regular Army; S. 800, to repeal the act limiting the date of filing claims for retainer pay with respect to members of Naval Reserve Force or Marine Corps Reserve; and S. 1139, to extend the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France; and with amendment S. 1600, to provide that leave accrued by members of Armed Forces while prisoners of war in Korea shall not be counted in determining maximum amount of leave which they may accumulate.

Prior to the above action, committee held open hearings on these bills, and received testimony from Maj. Gen. D. P. Booth, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, Army, on S. 1137; from Col. William W. Stickney, Deputy Division Director, U. S. Marine Corps Reserves, on S. 800; and from Rear Adm. Howard E. Orem, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations for Plans and Policy, on S. 1139.

Committee also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2581, authorizing construction of aeronautical research facilities and acquisition of land by National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, on which Senator Stennis presented a report from the Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction.

STATUS OF FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Status of Forces continued, in executive session, its review of the operations of article 7 of the Status of Forces Treaty (NATO), which article provides for jurisdictional arrangements between the U. S. and the NATO countries with regard to criminal jurisdiction exercised by the NATO governments over U. S. troops stationed in NATO countries. Testifying today were Brig. Gen. George W. Hickman, Assistant JAG for Civil Law, Army, and William E. Lang, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Defense.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee met in executive session and took the following actions:

Ordered favorably reported the nominations of Joseph S. Davis, of California, and Raymond J. Saulnier, of New York, both to be members of the President's Council of Economic Advisers;

Appointed a subcommittee, consisting of Senators Fulbright, Morse, and Capehart, to serve together with three representatives of the Armed Services Committee (Senators Symington, Johnson of Texas, and Bridges) to consider questions relating to the Texas City, Tex., tin smelter;

Agreed that the committee could not comply with the request of Sewell Avery, of Montgomery Ward, and Louis Wolfson, of New York, that hearings be held on certain aspects of their controversy over the control of Montgomery Ward;

Decided that a staff report on background material relating to the stock-market study would be issued; that there would also be a report on the stock-market hearings already held; and that a subcommittee would proceed to consider specific legislation and other specific questions which arose during the recent stock-market hearings; and

Appointed Donald R. Rogers as a member of the professional staff to fill the position of Ray Donaldson, resigned, and Paul Cyr as minority clerk in the place of John Hancock, resigned—both appointments to be effective April 1.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but took no actions and will resume its consideration on April 13.

NATO TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, by a vote of 14 to 1, ordered favorably reported protocol on the termination of the occupation regime in the Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. L, 83d Cong., 2d sess.), and protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty on the accession of the Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. M, 83d Cong., 2d sess.).

The committee also agreed to ask Secretary of State Dulles to meet with them in an informal executive session for a discussion of the release of the Yalta papers.

GRANARY CONSTRUCTION BY FOA

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations began hearings in connection with preliminary investigation of building of grain elevators with Foreign Operations Administration funds, hearing testimony from Howard Morrison, Chief, Industrial Projects Branch, Food and Agriculture Division; and Leonard B. Saccio, Assistant General Counsel, both FOA.

Following this testimony, subcommittee unanimously adopted a resolution providing for issuance of subpena duces tecum for production of books and records of FOA in connection with building of a granary in Pakistan, and the chairman announced that he will request the presence of Director Harold E. Stassen, Christian Herter, Jr., General Counsel, and Leonard B. Saccio, Assistant General Counsel, at further hearings on these matters on April 6. Subcommittee also unanimously adopted a motion that witnesses from either civilian or military Government agencies shall be entitled to representation by counsel, whether before the staff or before the subcommittee as a whole, but that such witnesses may not select counsel from within the agency which is then being examined.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: In executive session, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings on actions taken by Army personnel in handling the case of former Army major, Irving Peress, hearing testimony thereon from C. George Anastos and Mary Morrill, former staff members of the subcommittee. Adjourned subject to call.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on the following bills:

On S. 513 (H. R. 103), providing for construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies—with testimony favoring its enactment from Senators Barrett and Kuchel; Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, and Richard Witmer, office of legislative counsel, both of Interior Department; Howard Stoddard and W. A. Alexander, representing Central Valley reclamation districts; Virgil O'Sullivan, Sacramento Valley, Calif.; and William E. Welsh, National Reclamation Association; and

On S. 164 and S. 405, providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal agencies in Federal projects—with favoring testimony from Senators Malone, Bible, and Kuchel; Elmer Bennett and Richard Witmer; William E. Welsh; Doyle S. Boem and F. C. Bonge, of Riverside County, Calif.; and Matt Trigg, American Farm Bureau Federation.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

LOYALTY DAY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Federal Charters, Holidays, and Celebrations ordered favorably reported to the full committee S. J. Res. 58, to designate May 1, 1955, as Loyalty Day.

Prior to its approval, hearings were held on this bill, with testimony favoring its enactment from Senator Daniel, Representative Van Zandt, and Omar B. Ketchum, VFW.

MEDICAL RESEARCH FACILITIES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Subcommittee on Health continued its hearings, today on S. 849, to provide assistance to certain non-Federal institutions for construction of facilities for research in crippling and killing diseases. Testimony favoring its enactment was heard from Dr. Trendlay Dean, secretary, council of dental research, and Dr. Bernard J. Conway, secretary, council on legislation, both of American Dental Association, Chicago; Dr. Hans Waine, medical director, New England chapter, Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation, Boston; Mrs. Mayola Center, the Georgia Public Health Association, Atlanta; Dr. Robert T. Morse, chairman of public relations committee, American Psychiatric Association, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Robert P. Knight, Austen Riggs Center,

Stockbridge, Mass.; and Dr. Ralph J. Dorfman, associate director, Worcester Foundation for Experimental Biology, Shrewsbury, Mass.

Prior to today's hearing, the subcommittee was taken on a conducted tour of the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md., and its laboratories, and observed the operations of these facilities.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048 and S. 1160, Federal aid to highway construction bills, with testimony centering on the ability of contractors to carry out a national program involving expenditure of 101 billion in a 10-year period. Witnesses heard were: J. N. Robertson, Director, Department of Highways, D. C. Government; H. G. Sours, consulting engineer, Columbus, Ohio; A. T. Goldbeck, engineering director, National Crushed Stone Association; S. Howard Brown, president, Brown, Davis & White, contractors, Grantville, Pa.; Frederick Salditt, vice president, Harnischfegger Corp., manufacturers of heavy equipment, Milwaukee, Wis.; and Robert M. Reindollar, consulting engineer, and former chairman of Maryland Highway Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 53 public bills, H. R. 5392–5444; 17 private bills, H. R. 5445–5461; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 107–109 and H. Res. 203–205, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 3092, for the relief of Bureau of Prisons em-employees (H. Rept. 318); and

Fifty-six private bills, H. Res. 193, H. R. 874, 947, 1002, 1025, 1202, 1535, 1751, 1974, 2052, 2470, 2893, 2924, 3022, 3026, 3152, 3180, 3359, 3958, 3975, 4182, 4249, 4418, 4454, 4506, 4536, 4637, 4714, 4865, 5078, 5196, 880, 935, 943, 995, 997, 998, 1155, 1047, 1083, 1157, 1158, 1205, 1247, 1252, 1299, 1300, 1357, 1467, 1468, 1472, 1487, 1655, 1684, 1954, and 2933 (H. Repts. 319–374, respectively).

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Order of Business: Calendar Wednesday business in order on Wednesday, April 13, was dispensed with pursuant to a unanimous-consent request. Page 4139

Bill Referred: S. 1436, to preserve the tobacco acreage history of farms which voluntarily withdraw from the production of tobacco, was today referred to the Committee on Agriculture. Page 4162

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:32 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Continuing its study of proposed legislation to authorize Federal assistance to States for school construction, etc., the committee heard further testimony and explanation of the administration's recommendations from Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Also received testimony from Orrin Judd, an attorney of New York City, who addressed his remarks to the constitutionality of State laws relative to the establishment of school-building agencies. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

FAR EAST-PACIFIC

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on the Far East and the Pacific met in executive session today.

"OUR AMERICAN GOVERNMENT"—PAMPHLET

Committee on House Administration: Announced that the revised pamphlet entitled "Our American Government, What Is It? How Does It Function?", authorized to be printed as a House document under H. Con. Res. 85, will go to press within the next few days. Those Members who desire to purchase quantities of this pamphlet may benefit by the prepublication price of $43.47 per thousand if they will place their order with the Congressional Record Clerk, U. S. Capitol, by April 5.

NATIONAL CEMETERIES, FLORIDA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Public Lands held a hearing on H. R. 66, to establish one or more national cemeteries in the State of Florida. Col. Roy A. Wall, Office of the Quartermaster General (Army), answered subcommittee questions on the proposal. Testimony in opposition to the bill was expressed by Timothy A. Johnson, representing the Florida Cemetery Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning for consideration of a private Arizona land conveyance.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Proponent testimony was received today on behalf of H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulations, from Representative Berry, of South Dakota; and J. French Robinson,

Consolidated Natural Gas Co., New York City. A statement favoring the same proposal was filed for the record by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Proponent witnesses are scheduled to testify.

TAX LIENS—WAR POWERS—IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 1835, to provide for the discharge of tax liens on certain real property deeded to the USA subject to unpaid taxes;

H. R. 2194, for the relief of the military department of the State of Florida;

H. R. 3092, relating to overtime-compensation claims of employees of the Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, worked during period of March 3, 1931–43;

H. R. 4052, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act, 1941;

H. Con. Res. 50, commemorating the 200th anniversary of the migration of the Acadians from Nova Scotia to Louisiana and other areas;

H. Con. Res. 98 and 99, amended, granting permanent residence to certain aliens; and

Fifty-four private immigration bills, and 38 private claim bills.

Also tabled H. R. 271 and 641, relating to immunity of Members of Congress from civil liability for defamatory statements inserted in the Congressional Record; 51 private immigration bills; and 15 private claim bills.

CANAL ZONE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Completed discussions in connection with its study of Federal operations and activities in the Canal Zone. Meeting with the committee on this topic for the third consecutive day was John S. Seybold, Governor of the Canal Zone and President of the Panama Canal Company. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

HAWAII-ALASKA STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Heard further testimony in support of a rule for H. R. 2535, to admit Hawaii and Alaska into the Union, from Representatives Engle and Miller of Nebraska. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

Friday, April 1, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate by 76 to 2 adopted resolutions of ratification on treaties providing for German accession to NATO.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 37 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1616 to S. 1652; S. J. Res. 64; S. Con. Res. 20 and 21; and S. Res. 87.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 800, to repeal the act limiting the date of filing claims for retainer pay with respect to members of Naval Reserve Force or Marine Corps Reserve (S. Rept. 130);

S. 35, to permit the transportation in the mails of live scorpions (S. Rept. 131);

S. 1137, to extend the authority for the enlistment of aliens in the Regular Army (S. Rept. 132);

S. 1139, to extend the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France (S. Rept. 133);

S. 1600, to provide that leave accrued by members of the Armed Forces while prisoners of war in Korea shall not be counted in determining maximum amount of leave which they may accumulate, with amendment (S. Rept. 134); and

S. Con. Res. 16, to establish a joint committee to study aspects of the common system of air navigation in the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 135)—referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. **Page 4183**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 4177**

President's Communication: Communication from President was received stating that an additional authorization of $25,730,000 will be needed to accelerate work on Inter-American Highway extending from U. S. to Canal Zone, and that a request for an increase of $69,230,000 in additional appropriations for this purpose also will soon be transmitted to Congress—referred to Committee on Public Works. **Page 4278**

Treaties Reported: Protocol on the termination of the occupation regime in the Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. L, 83d Cong., 2d sess.), and protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty on the accession of the Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. M, 83d Cong., 2d sess.)—

reported on March 31, 1955, pursuant to authority previously granted (Exec. Rept. 6). Page 4177

NATO Treaties—German Accession: After debate, Senate adopted, by 76 yeas to 2 nays, resolutions of ratification on protocol on termination of occupation of Federal Republic of Germany, signed at Paris on October 23, 1954 (Exec. L, 83d Cong., 2d sess.); and protocol on accession of Federal Republic of Germany to NATO, signed at Paris on October 23, 1954 (Exec. M, 83d Cong., 2d sess.). Pages 4201–4206, 4222–4234

International Telecommunications Convention: After debate, Senate adopted, by 74 yeas to 1 nay, resolution of ratification respecting International Telecommunications Convention (Exec. R, 83d Cong., 1st sess.), with annexes, and final protocol to the convention, signed at Buenos Aires on December 22, 1952, by U. S. and various other countries. Pages 4234–4252

Commission on Intergovernmental Relations: Senators Bible and Morse were appointed to fill vacancies on Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. Page 4177

Reports During Adjournment: Committee on Appropriations was authorized to file reports during temporary adjournment of Senate between April 4 and 13. Page 4261

Clark Hill Reservoir, S. C.: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 4436, authorizing Secretary of Army to contract with city of McCormick, S. C., for sale of water from Clark Hill Reservoir.

S. 1217, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed. Page 4252

Lee Mansion: Senate passed without amendment S. J. Res. 62, dedicating the Lee Mansion in Arlington, Va., as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee, after Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of the measure. Pages 4257–4258

Missouri River: Communication from Secretary of Army, together with letter from Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, on a review of a report on the Missouri River, looking toward control of floods on lower Heart River, N. Dak., with accompanying papers, was referred to Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed as a Senate document (S. Doc. 31). Page 4196

Commission on Organization of Executive Branch: Senator Bridges was appointed a member of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government vice former Senator Ferguson, resigned. Pages 4177, 4277

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of John M. Allison, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador to Japan; Joseph C. Satterthwaite, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Burma; Joseph E. Jacobs, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to Poland; Joseph S. Davis, of California, and Raymond J. Saulnier, of New York, to be members of the Council of Economic Advisers; along with 1 other civilian nomination, and 70 in the Army, 1 in the Navy, and 20 in the Marine Corps. Page 4290

Nominations: Two civilian nominations, including that of Allen Whitfield, of Iowa, to be member of Atomic Energy Commission, were received, along with numerous postmaster nominations and the withdrawal of the nomination of Julius C. Holmes, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to Iran. Pages 4288–4290

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:27 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL SURPLUSES—FRUITS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings, the Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses heard concluding testimony, today with regard to disposal of surplus fruit, from J. Henry Burke, marketing specialist, Fruit and Vegetable Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, Agriculture Department; Karl Loos, counsel for Sunkist Growers; Truman Nold, executive secretary, National Apple Institute; and Martin E. Hearn, export coordinator, Florida Citrus Mutual, Lakeland, Fla. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded its hearings on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955, with testimony today, as follows:

On Maritime Administration items—salaries and expenses and repair of naval fleet facilities—with testimony from George T. Moore, Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Clarence G. Morse, Maritime Administrator;

On funds for the National Capital Planning Commission—with testimony from Representative Hyde;

On funds for Federal Civil Defense—with testimony from George D. Riley, AFL; and

On funds for U. N. technical assistance—with testimony from numerous outside witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY-POST OFFICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury-Post Office, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments H. R. 4876, making appropriations for Treasury and Post Office Departments and the Tax Court of the U. S. for fiscal year 1956.

GREAT LAKES FISHERIES CONVENTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee Chairman George today announced the appointment of a subcommittee to consider the Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries between U. S. and Canada (Exec. B,

84th Cong., 1st sess.). Membership to this subcommittee will consist of Senators Humphrey, chairman, Barkley, Morse, Wiley, and Capehart.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS—ELECTORAL REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments resumed its hearings on S. J. Res. 3, 9, 10, 27, 30, and 31, proposals for changing the method of electing the President and Vice President. Testimony, as indicated, was heard from the following witnesses: former Representative Ed. Gossett, of Texas, who favored enactment of S. J. Res. 30 and 31; H. J. Porter, member of the Republican National Committee, Texas, who favored the provisions of S. J. Res. 3, 30, and 31; Prof. Ferdinand Hermans, school of political science, Notre Dame University, who testified in opposition to S. J. Res. 30 and 31; Prof. Robert B. Dixon, Jr., department of government and politics, University of Maryland, who opposed S. J. Res. 3; John Gunther, ADA, who favored the election provisions of S. J. Res. 10; and Clarence Mitchell, NAACP, accompanied by Dr. John A. Davis, both of whom favored S. J. Res. 10. Hearings continue Wednesday, April 6.

MEDICAL RESEARCH FACILITIES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Health Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 849, to provide assistance to certain non-Federal institutions for construction of facilities for research in crippling and killing diseases. Favoring testimony was heard from the following witnesses: Delegates Farrington and Bartlett; Resident Commissioner Fernós-Isern; James S. Adams, New York; Dr. Sidney Farber, the Children's Medical Center, Boston; Dr. Cornelius P. Rhoads, director, Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research, New York; Dr. Cornelius H. Traeger, Roosevelt Hospital, New York; Dr. R. Lee Clark, the M. D. Anderson Hospital for Cancer Research, Houston, Tex.; Dr. Louis N. Katz, Michael Reece Hospital, Chicago; Dr. Gardner Murphy, director of research, the Menninger Foundation, Topeka, Kans.; and William P. MacCracken, Jr., of Washington, D. C., representing the American Optometric Association, St. Louis, Mo.

Senator Hill announced that the subcommittee would meet again at 10 a. m. on Wednesday, April 13, to conclude its hearings on S. J. Res. 46, S. 724, S. 848, and title 6 of S. 886—bills pertaining to mental health, and that the subcommittee will meet at 10 a. m. on Thursday, April 14, to begin hearings on title 3 of S. 886, practical nurses' training, and S. 929, aid to States in fields of practical nursing and auxiliary hospital personnel services.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Roads continued its hearings on S. 1048, S. 1160, and S. 1573, Federal aid to highway construction bills. Testimony today was heard from Sidney J. Williams, National Safety Council, who testified with regard to safety aspects of road construction; Carl E. Fritts, vice president in charge of engineering, Automotive Safety Foundation, who submitted statistics on accident studies and the relation of safety on roads to modern design and adequate capacity of roads; and H. A. Thomson, secretary, Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors, Upper Darby, Pa., who presented a statement of his views that local roads are as necessary as interstate roads.

The hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next session will be held on Monday, April 4, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

PUBLIC LANDS CONVEYANCE, ARIZONA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee resumed hearings on H. R. 2774 and 2787, a private conveyance and release of lands to the Government within the Coconino and Sitgreaves National Forests, Ariz. Testimony on the proposal was presented by Edward C. Crafts, Assistant Chief of the Forest Service (Agriculture), who was accompanied by Otto Lindh, regional forester, U. S. Forest Service, in Albuquerque, N. Mex.; Harold Hockmuth, lands officer, Bureau of Land Management (Interior); and William L. Ellis, Chief of the Office of Investigations, GAO. Mr. Ellis was accompanied by Owen A. Kane, legislative attorney, Office of Assistant Comptroller General; James H. Demaris, Assistant Chief, Office of Investigations, and Don Parker, of the same Office. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Testimony on the subject was received today from Representative Velde, of Illinois. The committee also heard completion of the testimony of J. French Robinson, of the Consolidated Natural Gas Co., New York City. He started his statement at yesterday's session, urging enactment of H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulation. Hearings were recessed until April 14.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 5, 1955, through March 31, 1955.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through March 31, 1955

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	38	45	..
Time in session	171 hrs., 12′	142 hrs., 15′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	1,934	1,570	3,504
Appendix	..	..	2,360
Public bills enacted into law	9	12	21
Private bills enacted into law	1	..	1
Bills in conference	..	..	..
Bills through conference	..	2	2
Measures passed, total	140	319	..
Senate bills	62	8	..
House bills	10	205	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	3	..
House joint resolutions	3	6	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	3	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	7	8	..
Simple resolutions	52	87	139
Measures reported, total	*173	*360	..
Senate bills	75	3	..
House bills	9	289	..
Senate joint resolutions	4	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	8	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	3	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	7	4	..
Simple resolutions	74	55	129
Special reports	10	11	..
Conference reports	..	3	..
Reported measures not acted on	**9	**88	..
Measures introduced, total	1,783	6,050	7,833
Bills	1,615	5,461	7,076
Joint resolutions	63	275	338
Concurrent resolutions	19	109	128
Simple resolutions	86	205	291
Quorum calls	22	15	37
Yea-and-nay votes	26	19	45
Bills vetoed	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 129 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 374 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through March 31, 1955

Postmaster nominations, totaling 706, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	288
Withdrawn	1
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	417
Army nominations, totaling 1,226, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,114
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	112
Air Force nominations, totaling 2,166, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,166
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Navy nominations, totaling 7,148, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,146
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	2
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 7,936, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,916
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	20
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,030, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,014
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	16

Summary

Total nominations received	20,212
Total withdrawn	1
Total rejected	None
Total unconfirmed	567
Total confirmed	19,644

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	House					Senate					Public law			Increase or decrease compared to budget estimates to date
		Budget estimates to House	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Budget estimates to Senate	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.	
	1955 APPROPRIATIONS														
	Supplemental														
H. R. 2091	Urgent Deficiency, 1955	----------	Jan. 13	$25,000	Jan. 13	$25,000	----------	Jan. 17	$993,950	Jan. 18	$1,013,950	Jan. 25	----------	3	+$1,013,950
H. J. Res. 252	Justice, 1955	$750,000	Mar. 14	710,000	Mar. 14	710,000	----------	Mar. 15	710,000	Mar. 16	710,000	Mar. 16	----------	13	−40,000
H. R. 4903	Second Supplemental	920,523,454	Mar. 15	855,212,429	Mar. 18	857,187,429	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	−63,336,025
	Regular														
	(Fiscal 1956)														
H. R. 4876	Treasury-Post Office	3,360,250,000	Mar. 11	3,282,553,000	Mar. 15	3,282,553,000	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	−77,697,000
H. R. 5046	Labor-H. E. W	2,432,148,861	Mar. 18	2,337,522,261	Mar. 21	2,337,522,261	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	−94,626,600
H. R. 5085	Interior	313,353,056	Mar. 21	298,271,246	Mar. 24	297,925,546	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	−15,427,510
H. R 5239	Agriculture	897,684,574	Mar. 25	880,260,050	Mar. 28	880,260,050	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	−17,424,524
H. R. 5240	Independent Offices	5,639,790,000	Mar. 26	5,845,595,375	Mar. 30	5,845,595,375	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	+205,805,375

Monday, April 4, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses adjourned until April 13.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met but transacted no business, adjourning at 12:01 p. m. until noon Wednesday, April 13, pursuant to provisions of H. Con. Res. 103, providing for such an adjournment of both Houses.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: The Subcommittee on Defense Appropriations began hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal 1956 for the Department of Defense. Witnesses attending today's hearings were: Robert B. Anderson, Deputy Secretary of Defense; W. J. McNeil, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); Maj. Gen. Robert S. Moore, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller); Charles C. Finucane, Under Secretary of the Army; Charles S. Thomas, Secretary of the Navy; Harold E. Talbott, Secretary of the Air Force; Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway, Chief of Staff, Army; Adm. Robert B. Carney, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Chief of Staff, Air Force; and Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., Commandant, United States Marine Corps.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

EMPLOYEE WELFARE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Welfare and Pension Funds Subcommittee concluded its hearings with testimony today on the operations of the welfare fund of the Pointers, Cleaners, and Caulkers, Local 52, Chicago. Witnesses heard were Edward Gallagher, president, and Charles Vokoun, welfare fund office manager, both of local 52.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

GOVERNMENT COMPETITION WITH BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Senator Thye announced that hearings on the subject matter of Government competition with business will be held by the Subcommittee on Relations of Business With Government, on Wednesday, April 6, at 2 p. m. in room 457 of the Senate Office Building, at which representatives of the Bureau of the Budget and of the Department of Defense will be heard.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H. R. 5462–5487; 14 private bills, H. R. 5488–5501; and 1 resolution, H. J. Res. 276, were introduced. **Pages 4298–4299**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Five private bills, H. Res. 202, H. R. 1296, 1400, 1922, and 2904 (H. Repts. 375–379, respectively);

H. R. 1835, for the relief of the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kans., amended (H. Rept. 380);

H. R. 2194, for the relief of the Military Department of the State of Florida (H. Rept. 381);

Ten private bills, H. R. 1156, 1255, 1281, 1283, 1287, 1337, 1338, 1339, 1473, and 2353 (H. Repts. 382–391, respectively);

H. R. 3878, to amend section 5 of the Flood Control Act of 1941, as amended, pertaining to emergency flood-control work (H. Rept. 392);

H. R. 3879, to amend section 2 of the act of March 2, 1945, pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg. (H. Rept. 393);

H. R. 4052, extending title II of the First War Powers Act of 1941 (H. Rept. 394);

H. R. 4426, amending section 7 of the act approved September 22, 1922, as amended (H. Rept. 395);

H. Con. Res. 50, commemorating the 200th anniversary of the Acadian migration (H. Rept. 396); and

Twenty private bills, H. R. 1028, 1333, 1879, 2358, 3066, 3069, 3070, 3071, 3074, 3075, 3852, 3853, 4245, H. Con. Res. 99, H. R. 968, 1417, 1474, 1475, 1525, and H. Con. Res. 98 (H. Repts. 397–416, respectively). **Page 4297**

Bill Referred: S. J. Res. 62, dedicating the Lee Mansion in Arlington, Va., as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee, was referred to the Committee on House Administration. **Page 4296**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:12 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FCC—AIR NAVIGATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Announced a public hearing by the Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications on April 11 on air navigational aids, at 10:30 a. m. Also announced that officials of the Federal Communications Commission will meet for discussion with the subcommittee on April 13 regarding the operations and proposed future legislative program of that agency.

VETERANS' HOUSING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Announced an open hearing by the Subcommittee on Housing on April 14 on bills to extend the direct loan program.

Wednesday, April 13, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Treasury-Post Office appropriations and seven miscellaneous bills.

Senate Appropriations Committee approved for reporting supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4319–4361

Bills Introduced: 24 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1653 to S. 1676; S. J. Res. 65; S. Con. Res. 22; and S. Res. 88 to S. Res. 90. Pages 4334–4335

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4876, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for fiscal year 1955, with amendments—reported April 12 pursuant to prior authorization (S. Rept. 136);

S. Res. 33, authorizing Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to make a study and investigation with respect to the administration of civil-service system by the CSC and other Government agencies, with amendments (S. Rept. 137);

S. Con. Res. 20, authorizing the printing of additional copies of Senate Document 13, entited "Our Capitol" (without written report);

S. Res. 89, to print as a Senate document the 57th Annual Report of the DAR for the year ended April 1, 1954 (without written report); and

S. Res. 88 and S. Res. 90, authorizing payment of gratuities to the survivors of two deceased Senate employees (without written report). Pages 4307, 4334–4335

Bill To Lie on Table: S. 1653, for relief of members of Armed Forces in respect to payment of income taxes while held as prisoners by communistic-controlled authority, following its introduction, was ordered to lie on table. Pages 4334–4335

Routine Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted four routine resolutions, as follows:

S. Con. Res. 20, authorizing the printing of additional copies of Senate Document 13, entitled "Our Capitol";

S. Res. 89, to print as a Senate document the 57th Annual Report of the DAR for the year ended April 1, 1954; and

S. Res. 88 and S. Res. 90, authorizing payment of gratuities to the survivors of two deceased Senate employees. Pages 4334–4335

Federal Real Estate: An inventory of Federal real property in the D. C. and throughout the U. S., prepared by GSA, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 32, with illustrations. Pages 4340–4342

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: Senate passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 4876, Treasury-Post Office appropriations for fiscal year 1956.

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested conference with the House, and appointed as conferees Senators Robertson, Kilgore, McClellan, Chavez, Johnston (South Carolina), McCarthy, Bridges, and Dirksen. Pages 4361–4365

Supplemental Appropriations: Authorization was granted to Committee on Appropriations until midnight tonight to file report on H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1955, and it was also agreed by unanimous consent that if the report is so filed, the Senate may consider H. R. 4903 on Thursday, April 14. Page 4376

Lighthouse Service: Senate passed without amendment S. 37, to amend the act increasing the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service in order to make such increase permanent. Pages 4365–4366

Fine Arts Commission: S. 1413, to amend the act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts, was passed after

adoption of Green amendment limiting expenditures under the bill to $35,000 per year. Pages 4366–4367

Steamer Life Preservers: Senate passed without amendment S. 460, to amend the law with respect to life preservers for river steamers. Page 4367

Naval Reserve: Senate passed without amendment S. 800, to repeal the act limiting the date of filing claims for retainer pay with respect to members of Naval Reserve Force or Marine Corps Reserve. Pages 4367–4368

Aliens in Army: S. 1137, to extend the authority for the enlistment of aliens in the Regular Army, was passed without amendment. Page 4368

Aircraft Carrier: Senate passed without amendment S. 1139, to extend the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France. Page 4368

POW Leave: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 1600, to provide that leave accrued by members of Armed Forces while prisoners of war in Korea shall not be counted in determining maximum amount of leave which they may accumulate. Pages 4368–4369

Nominations: Eight civilian nominations were received, including those of G. Frederick Reinhardt, of California, to be Ambassador to the State of Viet-Nam, William R. Connole, of Connecticut, to be a member of FPC, and 1 to a U. N. group, along with 75 Coast Guard, 1,307 Army, and 670 Navy nominations. Pages 4377–4384

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:05 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY AND AIR FORCE CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

Committee on Appropriations: The Subcommittee on Defense held executive hearings on Navy and Air Force construction items for the fiscal year 1955. Testimony was heard from Brig. Gen. Samuel S. Jack, USMC, Marine Aviation Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Rear Adm. Edward F. Clexton, USN, Director of Budget and Reports, Office of Comptroller of the Navy, Lyle S. Garlock, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management), and Col. W. E. Leonhard, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations, Air Force.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture continued its hearings on H. R. 5239, making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal 1956, with testimony, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

On Extension Service funds (and restoration requests)—testimony from Ervin L. Peterson, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, C. M. Ferguson, Administrator, Extension Service, and Joseph C. Wheeler, Director of Finance and budget officer, Agriculture Department; and

On funds for Agricultural Research Service (and restoration requests)—with testimony from Ervin L. Peterson, Dr. B. T. Shaw, Agriculture Research Service, and Joseph C. Wheeler.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony on Agricultural Research and Soil Conservation Service items.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: The committee met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the Senate with amendments H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 1955.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee resumed its executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but took no actions, and will continue its consideration tomorrow.

FISHERIES CONVENTION—HEARINGS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The Committee announced that its subcommittee to consider the Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries between the U. S. and Canada (Exec. B, 84th Cong., 1st sess.) will hold hearings on Wednesday and Thursday, April 27 and 28, 1955.

MANGANESE STOCKPILE PROGRAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Minerals, Materials, and Fuels held hearings yesterday and today to consider the manganese purchase program, and the status and urgent need for research to bring domestic manganese up to usable grades for use both in a war emergency and our peacetime economy. Numerous witnesses were heard, including representatives of the Interior Department, Bureau of the Budget, and Office of Defense Mobilization, as well as many representatives of industry.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ADMINISTRATION OF REFUGEE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees held an executive hearing to consider procedures to be followed in investigating charges made by Secretary of State Dulles and Edward J. Corsi, formerly of the Office of Refugee and Migration Problems, State Department, with regard to the administration of the Refugee Act of 1953. Testimony was heard today from Scott McLeod, Administrator, Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, State Department.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow when Mr. Corsi will be heard.

HEALTH FACILITIES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 46, S. 724, S. 848—bills pertaining to mental health problems, S. 849, Medical Research Act of 1955, S. 929, providing aid to States in fields of practical nursing and auxiliary hospital services, and on S. 886, Health Improvement Act of 1955. Testimony was heard from the following witnesses: Senator Bridges, who supported the provisions of S. 849; and Secretary Hobby, accompanied by Dr. Chester S. Keefer, Special Assistant for Health and Medical Affairs, Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General, PHS, Dr. Robert H. Felix, Director of National Institutes of Health, Mrs. Lucile P. Leone, Assistant Surgeon General, and James H. Pearson, Office of Education, all of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, who presented the views of the administration with regard to all of the bills before the subcommittee.

Also, Senator Hill urged Secretary Hobby to request the President to call a White House conference of those connected with the development, production, and distribution of the Salk antipolio vaccine in order to reassure the American people that plans will be made to prevent black-marketing of the vaccine, and to assure its fair distribution, with priority to those who need it most. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Roads resumed its hearings on S. 1048, S. 1160, and S. 1573, bills relating to Federal aid to highway construction, with testimony from the following witnesses: Senators Bennett, Millikin, Allott, and Watkins; Representative Rogers of Colorado; Governor Johnson, of Colorado; and H. J. Corleissen, chairman of the Utah Road Commission. These witnesses urged that the highway between Denver and Salt Lake City be placed in the Federal interstate highway system, as proposed in S. 1668, introduced today by Senator Millikin and others.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRINTING AND GRATUITIES

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported S. Con. Res. 20, authorizing the printing of additional copies of Senate Document 13, 84th Congress, entitled "Our Capitol"; S. Res. 89, to print as a Senate document the 57th Annual Report of the DAR for the year ended April 1, 1954; and two original resolutions authorizing payment of gratuities to the survivors of two former Senate employees.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS ACT OF 1955

Committee on Rules and Administration: The Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its hearings on S. 636, to revise the Federal election laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections. Witnesses heard today were Samuel Lubell, political scientist and author, of New York City, and Marvin Harder, Democratic State chairman for Kansas, both of whom favored the general principles of the bill.

These hearings were begun yesterday with testimony from Paul Butler, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and Leonard W. Hall, chairman of the Republican National Committee.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, April 19.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H. R. 5502–5525; 24 private bills, H. R. 5526–5549; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 277 and H. Con. Res 110, were introduced.

Pages 4396–4397

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 5502, making appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956 (H. Rept. 417);

H. R. 3123, to repeal provision requiring recoupment of certain Federal funds spent for school construction, amended (H. Rept. 418); and

H. R. 3990, authorizing investigation and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 419). Page 4396

State-Justice-Judiciary Appropriations: Consideration of H. R. 5502, the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies appropriation bill for 1956, was deferred to Thursday when objection was made to a request for its consideration. Page 4386

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:04 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL LAND BANKS

Committee on Agriculture: The Poage Subcommittee on Conservation and Credit approved for reporting to the full committee S. 941, a bill which would authorize the Federal land banks to purchase the assets (except

cash, accounts receivable, and reserved mineral interests) of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation, which has not made any new loans since July 1, 1947, and is now in the process of liquidation.

MILITARY EXPENDITURES, READER'S DIGEST

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert special investigating subcommittee today heard John B. Hollister, Executive Director of the Hoover Commission, in connection with an article on military spending, printed recently in the Reader's Digest. The subcommittee is attempting to determine how this national publication obtained information in a forthcoming Hoover Commission report, on alleged military waste, before the congressional group could get it. The witness testified that factual information was received by the magazine last November for publication following scheduled reports by several study units investigating so-called Government waste. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TRINITY RIVER DEVELOPMENT, CALIFORNIA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee held public hearing on H. R. 4663, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to Federal reclamation laws, to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River development, Central Valley project, California. Officials of the Bureau of Reclamation, Sacramento, Calif., today testified in support of the proposal, along with Fred G. Aandahl, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; and Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior. Hearing will be resumed tomorrow morning, when public witnesses are scheduled to testify.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met with FCC officials today to discuss operations and activities of the agency as well as its proposed future legislative program. Participating in the briefing were George C. McConnaughey, Commission Chairman; Rosel H. Hyde, Edward M. Webster, and Frieda B. Hennock, members of the Commission; Warren E. Baker, General Counsel; and Curtis B. Plummer, Chief of the Broadcast Bureau.

Thursday, April 14, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1955.
House passed State-Justice-Judiciary appropriation bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4421–4433

Bills Introduced: 20 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1677 to S. 1696; and S. Con. Res. 23. **Pages 4425, 4428–4429**

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1955, with amendments—reported after adjournment April 13 pursuant to prior authorization (S. Rept. 138). **Page 4421**

President's Message—Trade: Message from President recommending enactment of legislation to authorize membership of U. S. in Organization for Trade Cooperation, was received—referred to Committee on Finance. **Pages 4421, 4458–4460**

Supplemental Appropriations: Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1955, after adopting all committee amendments, two with amendments as follows:

Hayden amendment to increase by $10,000 Senate Office Building item so as to provide for a survey of and recommendations for illumination of that office building; and

Kerr amendment to provide $7 million additional funds for school-lunch program.

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested conference with the House, and appointed as conferees Senators Hayden, Russell, Chavez, Ellender, Bridges, Saltonstall, and Young. **Pages 4436–4447**

Scorpions: Senate passed without amendment S. 35, to permit the shipment by mail of live scorpions. **Pages 4450–4451**

Colorado River Storage: Senate made its unfinished business S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. **Page 4451**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:02 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5239, appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal 1956, the Agriculture Subcommittee heard testimony, as indicated, from the following Agriculture Department witnesses:

On funds for the Agricultural Research Service—testimony from Assistant Secretary Ervin L. Peterson, Dr. B. T. Shaw, Administrator, Agricultural Research Service, and Joseph C. Wheeler, Director of Finance and budget officer;

On funds for Soil Conservation Service—testimony from Ervin L. Peterson, and D. A. Williams, Administrator, Gladwin E. Young, Deputy Administrator, W. R. VanDersal, Assistant Administrator (Management), and Charles E. Kellogg, Assistant Administrator (Soil Surveys), all of the Soil Conservation Service;

On funds for the Agricultural Conservation Service—testimony from Ervin L. Peterson and Fred G. Ritchie, Director of Agricultural Service;

On funds for the Agricultural Marketing Service—testimony from Assistant Secretary Earl Butz and O. V. Wells, Director of Agricultural Marketing Service; and

On funds for Foreign Agricultural Service—testimony from Earl Butz, and Clayton E. Whipple, Deputy Administrator, and W. A. Minor, Assistant Administrator, both of the Foreign Agricultural Service.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY AND AIR FORCE CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

Committee on Appropriations: The Defense Subcommittee concluded executive hearings on Navy and Air Force construction items for fiscal year 1955. Further testimony was received from Brig. Gen. Samuel S. Jack, USMC, Marine Aviation Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Rear Adm. Edward F. Clexton, USN, Director of Budget and Reports, Office of Comptroller of the Navy, Lyle S. Garlock, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management), and Col. W. E. Leonhard, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations, Air Force.

Subcommittee will meet again on Tuesday, April 19, to resume hearings on Defense Department budget estimates for fiscal 1956.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: The committee continued its executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but made no announcements, and will meet again tomorrow.

GRANARY CONSTRUCTION BY FOA

Committee on Government Operations: Continuing its hearings in connection with preliminary investigation of building of grain elevators with Foreign Operations Administration funds, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations heard testimony from the following witnesses who discussed bids for construction of a grain elevator in Pakistan: James W. Bryan, engineer, Top Industries, Inc., Los Angeles; Miss Betty Armentrout, secretary and office manager, and Alfred E. Poulsen, president and general manager, both of Poulsen Co., Los Angeles; and William Herron, chairman of board, Agricultural Construction Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MANGANESE STOCKPILE PROGRAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Minerals, Materials, and Fuels concluded its hearings on the manganese purchase program, and the status and urgent need for research to bring domestic manganese up to usable grades for use both in war emergency and in peacetime economy. Testimony was heard from the following witnesses: Clarence A. Fredell, John G. Ford, Arthur L. Sherman, James V. O'Dwyer, M. C. Robinson, Russell C. Fleming, and C. B. Larson, all of the Emergency Procurement Service, GSA; John Cole, Domestic Manganese Co., Butte, Mont.; W. S. Stringham, Ores Beneficiation Co., Joplin, Mo.; Frank Salisbury, attorney, of Washington, D. C.; L. B. Manning, American Machine & Metal Co., Phillipsburg, Mont; and J. Carson Adkerson, of Washington, D. C., representing American Manganese Producers Association.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of Chair.

ADMINISTRATION OF REFUGEE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its executive hearing to consider procedures to be followed in investigating charges made by Secretary of State Dulles and Edward J. Corsi, formerly of the Office of Refugee and Migration Problems, State Department, with regard to the administration of the Refugee Act of 1953, Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees heard testimony from Mr. Corsi who related his background and qualifications and outlined his functions in the Office of Refugee and Migration Problems. The subcommittee announced that beginning tomorrow the hearings in this matter will be open to the public, with further testimony tomorrow from both Scott McLeod, Administrator, Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, and Edward J. Corsi.

FAIR LABOR STANDARD ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Subcommittee on Labor began hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act. The witness today was Secretary of Labor James P. Mitchell, who made the following three proposals to the subcommittee: (1) establishment of a 90-cent

minimum wage, (2) extension of coverage to chain-store employees, and (3) change of basis of coverage from an employee test to an employer test.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRACTICAL NURSING

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Subcommittee on Health concluded its hearings on proposed legislation dealing with health matters, today's session being directed to S. 929, aid to States in the fields of practical nursing and auxiliary hospital personnel services, and title III of S. 886, grants to States to enable them to extend and improve vocational education in the practical nursing field. Testimony was heard from the following witnesses: Dr. Lucius Wilson, American Hospital Association, Washington, D. C.; Dr. Elmer Hess, president-elect, and Dr. Cleon A. Nafe, both of American Medical Association, Indianapolis; C. L. Greiber, American Vocational Association; Henry Hooper, Ohio Hospital Association, Cincinnati; Mrs. Jean Corcoran, Licensed Practical Nurse Association of Illinois; Mrs. S. C. Patterson, South Georgia Trade and Vocational School, Americus, Ga.; A. A. Rosser, Glynn-Brunswick Memorial Hospital, Brunswick, Ga.; Miss Hilda Torrop, National Association for Practical Nurse Education, New York; Miss Agnes Olson, American Nurses Association, New York; Mrs. Kellogg Fairbank, president, board of directors, Lying-In Hospital, Chicago; and E. B. Whitten, National Rehabilitation Association, Washington, D. C.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Subcommittee on Unemployment resumed its hearings into the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries. Witnesses heard today were: Senator Kilgore, who discussed unemployment in the coal and oil industries; Representative Saylor, who testified regarding problems faced in the coal industry; and G. D. Spradlin, Independent Petroleum Association of Southern Oklahoma, whose testimony related to the oil industry.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continuing its hearings on S. 1048, S. 1160, and S. 1573, bills relating to Federal aid to highway construction, Subcommittee on Roads heard testimony from witnesses as follows: Francis V. duPont, Special Consultant, Secretary of Commerce, who discussed provisions of S. 1573; A. B. Gorman, Private Truck Council of America, who suggested that Federal Government leave to the States the field of automotive excise taxes, that Federal-aid funds should not be used for construction and maintenance of toll roads, that Federal Goverment should cease advocating 18,000-pound axle limitation on trucks, that highways should be constructed and maintained from normal revenue sources to fullest extent possible, and that a Federal corporation to expedite construction of highways should not be formed; and John V. Lawrence, managing director, and William A. Bresnahan, assistant general manager, both of American Trucking Association, who expressed opposition to a provision in S. 1573 that would require certain classes of trucks to pay special Federal license fees. Also the following witnesses presented testimony on proposal that the cost of relocating public utility facilities occasioned by Federal-aid highway projects be included in the cost of projects and paid from Federal funds: Representative Bennett of Florida; E. C. Yokley, vice chairman, Committee on Municipally Owned Utilities, National Institute of Municipal Law Officers; John M. Veale, Michigan Consolidated Gas Co.; Paul Weir, vice president, American Waterworks Association, Atlanta, Ga.; John A. Tenbrook, development engineer, Philadelphia Electric Co.; and Austin L. Roberts, Jr., general solicitor, National Association of Railway and Utility Commissioners.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 30 public bills, H. R. 5550–5579; 14 private bills, H. R. 5580–5593; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 278 and 279, H. Con. Res. 111, and H. Res. 206–208, were introduced. Pages 4509–4510

Bill Reported: One report was filed as follows: H. R. 4753, Subversive Activities Control Act Amendment of 1955 (H. Rept. 420). Page 4508

International Trade: Received a message from the President recommending that Congress enact legislation authorizing United States membership in Organization for Trade Cooperation for dealing with international trade problems on a cooperative basis. The message was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 140). Pages 4458–4460

State-Justice-Judiciary Appropriations: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 5502, the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies appropriation bill for 1956, after rejecting all proffered amendments.

Rejected a series of amendments, offered by Mr. Gross, that sought to delete all funds for the National Commission on Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Cooperation; the entertainment funds of the Foreign Service; also to reduce the building funds of the State Department; and to reduce the U. S. contributions to the United Nations and specialized agencies.

Rejected an amendment that sought to increase by $6½ million the funds provided for international educational exchange activities of the State Department.

Also rejected an amendment designed to provide $350,000 for a nonprofit book organization for translating, printing, and distributing of American classics abroad.

The bill recommends appropriations of—State Department, $126,769,977; Justice Department, $197,525,000; the Judiciary, $29,603,250; United States Information Agency, $80,500,000; and refugee relief, $16,000,000; totaling $450,398,227, which amount is $21,145,385 more than the current appropriation and $33,133,685 under the budget estimates. Pages 4460–4504

Order of Business: Calendar Wednesday business, in order on April 20, was dispensed with pursuant to a unanimous-consent request. Page 4507

Bills Referred: Six Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 4508

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:24 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

Committee on Agriculture: The Poage subcommittee, in executive session, approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5376, amending section 3 of the Rural Electrification Act of 1936. In open hearing on this bill and two others (H. R. 2138 and 4572), Fred H. Strong, REA Deputy Administrator, stated that he believed enactment of any of the measures under consideration would enable more efficient administration of the program, and would be more responsive to the needs of the people served by same. Other witnesses favoring the subjects were John Lynn, legislative representative, American Farm Bureau Federation; Clyde P. Ellis, general manager, National Rural Electrification Cooperative Association; Angus MacDonald, representing the National Farmers Union; and Wallace Campbell, Co-op League of the USA. A statement for the record was submitted on behalf of the National Grange.

ROCKET LAUNCHERS

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert special investigating subcommittee heard testimony today from officials of the Departments of Air Force and Navy in connection with its study of contracts negotiated by the Air Force to furnish rocket launchers. The subcommittee is attempting to determine why contracts for these launchers were negotiated with a single company when similar-type launchers are presently being manufactured for the U. S. Navy by three other companies. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Teague (Texas) subcommittee held a public hearing today on H. R. 5119, authorizing the D. C. government to establish an Office of Civil Defense. Witnesses heard on the proposed legislation were Samuel Spencer, Chairman, D. C. Commission; John E. Fondahl, Director of the D. C. Office of Civil Defense; Vernon E. West, Corporation counsel; Irving Bryan, Chief, Legislation and Opinions Division, Corporation Counsel's Office; Warren Clardy, chairman, Arlington County (Va.) Civil Defense Council; A. W. Perkins, Jr., representing the Junior Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. Wallace Lutz, Jr., representing National Capital Jewish Women; Rufus King, D. C. Board of Trade; and Herbert Lehman, Civil Defense Advisory Council, D. C. Commission. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AMERICAN VESSEL SEIZURE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on Inter-American Affairs met in executive session today with State Department representatives in connection with the seizure, on March 26, 1955, by Ecuador, of two American vessels, with the resulting injury of a U. S. citizen. A statement by Representative Hays of Arkansas, following the closed session, said—

Early in the morning on that date two American vessels, the *Arctic Maid* and the *Santa Anna,* were seized by Ecuador, and one American, the second engineer of the *Arctic Maid,* was seriously wounded. Ecuador has imposed heavy fines on the vessels on the ground that they invaded what Ecuador asserts were her territorial waters. The United States denies that these vessels were within the legitimate territorial waters of Ecuador.

The State Department witnesses included, in addition to Sheldon Mills, Ambassador to Ecuador, who has been called to Washington by the State Department to report on the incident, Rollin S. Atwood, Director, Office of South American Affairs; and Fred E. Taylor, of the Office of the Special Assistant for Fisheries.

The subcommittee took note of the action already initiated by the Department of State in this matter and, because of the seriousness with which it regards these incidents, requested a progress report at an early date.

ALUMINA PLANT, WYOMING

Committee on Government Operations: Officials of the General Services Administration testified today before the Brooks (Texas) Subcommittee on Special Government Activities in connection with the disposal, through negotiated sale by the GSA, of an alumina plant located in Laramie, Wyo. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

TRINITY RIVER DEVELOPMENT, CALIFORNIA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee continued to hear departmental officials during consideration of H. R. 4663, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to Federal reclamation laws, to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River development, Central Valley project, California. Those heard were Fred G. Aandahl, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and A. N. Murray, regional planning director, Bureau of Reclamation, Sacramento, Calif. Public witnesses testifying in favor of the bill's enactment were George Fleharty, representing the city of Reading, Calif.; Clair A. Hill, representing the board of supervisors, Shasta County, Calif.; and Donald Smith, executive secretary, Sacramento Valley Irrigation Committee. Recessed until tomorrow (9:45 a. m.).

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Testimony was received today from Randall J. LeBoeuf, Jr., counsel for the Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc.; and Representative Reuss, of Wisconsin. Mr. LeBeouf was recalled for committee interrogation, during an afternoon session, in connection with his statement in opposition to H. R. 4560, which would exempt independent producers and gatherers from Federal Power Commission regulation. He recommended various amendments and changes. Statements for the record were also received today from Gov. Christian A. Herter, of Massachusetts; Gov. Averell Harriman, of New York; and Gov. Charles H. Russell, of Nevada. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

PATENT EXTENSIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered reported to the full committee, without recommendation, H. R. 2128, as amended, to authorize the extension of patents covering inventions whose practice was prevented or curtailed during certain emergency periods by service of the patent owner in the Armed Forces or by production controls.

VETERANS' LOAN PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Housing considered pending bills today which would extend the direct loan program for veterans. Witnesses heard on the subject were T. F. Daley, VA Office of Legislation; Thomas J. Sweeney, VA loan guaranty officer; and representatives of the American Legion, VFW, DAV, and the AMVETS.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate began consideration of upper Colorado River storage project, tentatively adopting committee amendments thereto.

House passed 14 miscellaneous bills.

Bill increasing postal workers' salaries cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4522–4542

Bills Introduced: 27 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1697 to S. 1723; S. J. Res. 66; and S. Res. 91 and 92. **Pages 4529–4530, 4533**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 58, to designate the first day of May 1955 as Loyalty Day (S. Rept. 139);

S. 26 and S. 29, private bills (S. Repts. 140 and 141);

S. 1722, to authorize Atomic Energy Commission to construct its principal office building in the D. C. area (S. Rept. 142);

S. 42, 71, 89, 90, 91, 93, 94, 95, 99, 100, 118, 119, 120, 121, 130, 162, 192, 193, 196, 234, 238, 283, 320, 321, 322, 341, 353, 397, 439, 449, 467, 473, 570, 574, 587, 604, 633, 644, 650, 676, 707, 713, 714, 760, 827, 867, 892, 1014, 1044, 1180, 1197, 1350, 1367, 36, 191, 236, 407, 504, 758, 844, 974, and 68, private bills (S. Repts. 143–204); and

S. Res. 92, authorizing Committee on the Judiciary from May 1, 1955, through January 31, 1956, to expend not more than $50,000 for examination and review of administration of Patent Office (without written report). **Pages 4529–4530**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 4522**

Former President Truman: Former President Truman visited the Senate and addressed it briefly. **Pages 4541–4542**

Subcommittee on Refugees: Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees of the Committee on the Judiciary was authorized to meet during sessions of Senate on April 20, 21, and 22. Page 4522

Appointments to Boards: Vice President appointed Senator Hill to Board of Visitors to U. S. Military Academy and Senator Chavez to Board of Visitors to U. S. Naval Academy. Page 4551

Colorado River Storage: Senate began consideration of S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects, adopting all committee amendments en bloc but agreeing by unanimous consent that either Senator Kuchel or Senator Neuberger may offer amendments thereto at any time prior to final passage of the bill. Pages 4542–4568, 4573–4580

Nominations: 1 judicial and 11 Public Health Service nominations were received. Page 4582

Recess: Recessed at 6 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: The Interior Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5085, appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for fiscal year 1956, with testimony today in behalf of funds for the National Forest Service from the following witnesses: Assistant Secretary Ervin L. Peterson; Richard E. McArdle, Chief, Edward P. Cliff, W. S. Swingler, and V. L. Harper, of the National Forest Service; and Joseph C. Wheeler, Director of Finance and budget officer, all of the Department of Agriculture.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from outside witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, April 15, the Agriculture Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5239, appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal year 1956, with testimony in behalf of funds for their departments from the following Agriculture Department witnesses:

Commodity Stabilization Service—Assistant Secretary James A. McConnell, and Earl M. Hughes, Administrator, Walter C. Berger, Associate Administrator, Preston Richards, Deputy Administrator, Price Support, and R. P. Beach, budget officer, all of the CCC, and Joseph C. Wheeler, Director of Finance and budget officer;

Farmers' Home Administration—Kenneth L. Scott, Director, Agricultural Credit Services, and Robert B. McLeaish, Administrator, FHA;

Rural Electrification Administration—Kenneth L. Scott, and Ancher Nelson, Administrator, REA;

Office of the Secretary—Ralph S. Roberts, Administrative Assistant Secretary; and

Office of General Counsel—Robert L. Farrington, General Counsel.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from outside witnesses.

TEXAS CITY TIN SMELTER

Committees on Armed Services and Banking and Currency: On Friday, April 15, special subcommittees (Senators Symington, chairman, Johnson of Texas, Bridges, and Fulbright, Morse, and Capehart) met jointly in executive session and voted to report favorably an original joint resolution recommending operation by the Government of the Texas City tin smelter for 1 year until June 30, 1956, and directing the executive branch of the Government to submit proposals to the Congress for the disposal by lease or sale to private interests for the continued operation by private interests of the Texas City tin smelter.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: On Friday, April 15, the committee continued its executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but took no actions, and will meet again tomorrow.

REVIEW OF UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

Committee on Foreign Relations: The United Nations Charter Subcommittee resumed its hearings today, and had former President Truman as its witness. These hearings were started in February 1954, with a view to making a complete study of the U. N. Charter and American participation in the U. N. This examination is being made in order that the U. S. may develop policies to be followed in connection with any forthcoming charter review, which review will probably be held sometime after 1955.

Hearings continue Wednesday, April 20.

COMMUNIST IMPRISONMENT OF AMERICAN AIRMEN

Committee on Government Operations: The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held an executive conference today to discuss all aspects of the detention and imprisonment of American airmen by the Chinese Communists. Present at today's conference were representatives of the Departments of State, Defense, Air Force, and Navy and Marine Corps.

Following this conference, Chairman McClellan announced that a total of 481 service personnel are still unaccounted for.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

GRANARY CONSTRUCTION BY FOA

Committee on Government Operations: On Friday, April 15, the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings in connection with preliminary investigation of building of grain elevators with Foreign Operations Administration funds. Further testimony was heard from Robert H. Pinner, formerly of Ralph M. Parsons Co., Los Angeles, Calif. Other witnesses heard were Byron E. Harding, GSA, and Howard P. Morrison, Chief, Near East and African Branch, Industrial Services Division, FOA. The witnesses discussed further bids for construction of a grain elevator in Pakistan.

The hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Surface Transportation Subcommittee concluded hearings on the nomination of John A. Hall, of California, to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC. Testimony in opposition to this nomination was heard from Eric Peterson, International Association of Machinists, Washington, D. C.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its hearings as to recanting by Harvey Matusow (a former Communist) on some of his previous testimony, the Internal Security Subcommittee heard testimony from the following witnesses, who were questioned regarding the financing of publication of Matusow's book, False Witness: Nathan Witt, counsel, International Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers; Mandel Allen Terman, financial contributor to the Cameron-Kahn publishing firm; and Ralph Shapiro, New York attorney, who notarized Matusow's affidavit in the Jenks case (an official of the International Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers who was convicted of perjury on an oath filed with the National Labor Relations Board). Hearings continue tomorrow.

ROUTINE COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

(1) S. J. Res. 58, to designate the first day of May 1955 as Loyalty Day;

(2) An original resolution (S. Res. 92) authorizing $50,000 for subcommittee to inquire into patents, copyrights, and trade-mark laws;

(3) The nominations of Warren L. Jones, of Florida, to be U. S. circuit judge, fifth circuit, and Gerald R. Corbett, to be sixth judge, first circuit, circuit courts, Territory of Hawaii; and

(4) 64 private immigration bills (S. 26, S. 29, S. 36, S. 42, S. 68, S. 71, S. 89, S. 90, S. 91, S. 93, S. 94, S. 95, S. 99, S. 100, S. 118, S. 119, S. 120, S. 121, S. 130, S. 162, S. 191, S. 192, S. 193, S. 196, S. 234, S. 236, S. 238, S. 283, S. 320, S. 321, S. 322, S. 341, S. 353, S. 397, S. 407, S. 439, S. 449, S. 467, S. 473, S. 504, S. 570, S. 574, S. 587, S. 604, S. 633, S. 644, S. 650, S. 676, S. 707, S. 713, S. 714, S. 758, S. 760, S. 827, S. 844, S. 867, S. 892, S. 974, S. 1014, S. 1044, S. 1180, S. 1197, S. 1350, S. 1367).

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on seven private immigration bills (S. 289, S. 298, S. 329, S. 549, S. 1060, S. 1171, and S. 1476).

ADMINISTRATION OF REFUGEE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, April 15, the Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees continued its hearings with regard to charges made by Secretary of State Dulles and Edward J. Corsi, formerly of the Office of Refugee and Migration Problems, State Department, concerning the administration of the Refugee Act of 1953. Witnesses heard were Representative Walter and Scott McLeod, Administrator, Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, State Department, the latter of whom continued his testimony begun April 13.

Hearings continue Wednesday, April 20.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Labor Subcommittee received testimony today from George Meany, President of the AFL.

On Friday, April 15, the subcommittee had as its witness Stuart Rothman, Solicitor, Department of Labor, who appeared to answer questions of the subcommittee regarding these proposals.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, April 15, the Unemployment Subcommittee concluded its hearings into the cause or causes of unemployment in the coal, oil, railroad, glass, pottery, clothespin, farm machinery, and textile industries. Testimony was received as follows: from Representatives Bailey and Mollohan, and R. L. Ireland, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Co., Tom Pickett, National Coal Association, and Thomas Kennedy, UMW, all of whom discussed problems of unemployment in the coal industry; and Russell Brown, Independent Petroleum Association of America, who testified regarding unemployment in the oil industry.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

FLOOD CONTROL—RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors held hearings to receive a general discussion of the civil works program of the Corps of Army Engineers from Maj. Gen. S. D. Sturgis, Chief of Army Engineers, and Brig. Gen. E. C. Itschener, Assistant Chief of Engineers for Civil Works.

In an afternoon session General Itschener submitted a report on behalf of the Army on the following bills: S. 1340, authorizing conveyances by quitclaim deed of certain land to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex.; S. 1069, increasing authorization for the Columbia River, Bonneville, Oreg.; and S. 1070, relating to emergency flood-control work.

Subcommittees will hold hearings tomorrow on S. 414, preliminary examination and survey of New England coastal areas.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: On Friday, April 15, the Subcommittee on Public Roads concluded hearings on S. 1048, S. 1160, and S. 1573, bills relating to Federal aid to highway construction, with further testimony from Commissioner of Public Roads C. D. Curtiss. Mr. Curtiss answered questions of the subcommittee with regard to this proposed legislation.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 32 public bills, H. R. 5594–5625; 19 private bills, H. R. 5626–5644; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 280 and 281, and H. Res. 209 and 210 were introduced. Pages 4600–4602

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 1816, to declare certain tidewaters in Boston, Mass., nonnavigable (H. Rept. 421); and

H. R. 4954, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the United States to recover damages under the antitrust laws and establishing a uniform statute of limitations (H. Rept. 422). Page 4600

Second Supplemental Appropriation: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4903, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cannon, Rooney, Preston, Taber, and Clevenger. Page 4582

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Export trade: S. 752, to amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from CCC stocks.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Acadian migration: H. Con. Res. 50, commemorating the 200th anniversary of the migration of the Acadians from Nova Scotia to Louisiana and other areas.

Florida Military Department: H. R. 2194, for the relief of the military department of the State of Florida.

Military relief: H. R. 3560, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

Military damage claims: H. R. 3561, settlement of claims for damages occasioned by Army, Navy, and Marine Corps forces in foreign countries.

Military personnel claims: H. R. 3996, to further amend the Military Personnel Claims Act of 1945.

War powers: H. R. 4052, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act of 1941.

Federal telephones: H. R. 4426, to amend the act of 1922 relating to installation of telephones in certain private residences for Federal use.

Veterans' farm housing: H. R. 5106, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to authorize loans for farm housing to be guaranteed or insured under the same terms and conditions as apply to residential housing.

Land transfer: H. R. 5177, relating to transfer of lands in Richland County, S. C.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Forest land deposits: H. R. 230, relating to acquisition and disposition of deposits of sand, stone, gravel, pumice, and cinders when situated on national forest lands of the U. S.

Tax liens: H. R. 1835, to provide for the discharge of tax liens on certain real property deeded to the USA subject to unpaid taxes.

Federal penal institutions: H. R. 4221, to amend U. S. Code relating to administering oaths and taking acknowledgments by officials of Federal penal and correctional institutions.

Veterans' dental care: H. R. 5100, to amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care.

Objected to:

Bureau of Prisons: H. R. 3092, relating to overtime-compensation claim of employees of the Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, worked during period of March 3, 1931–43.

Passed over without prejudice:

Medal of Honor: H. R. 735, to provide $100 per month pension to holders of the Medal of Honor.

Flood control: H. R. 3878, amending the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood-control work.

Columbia River: H. R. 3879, to amend the act of 1945 pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg.

Fine arts: H. R. 4534, to amend the act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts.

Amputees' autos: H. R. 5089, to extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances.

Pages 4585–4589

Boston Tidewaters: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 1816, to declare certain tidewaters in Boston, Mass., nonnavigable. Page 4589

Bill Referred: S. 35, to permit the shipment of live scorpions by mail, was referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 4600

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:55 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2107, as amended, to remove the $250 million limit on funds authorized for additional facilities necessary for the administration and training of units of Reserve components of U. S. Armed Forces. The measure was amended and approved last Friday by Subcommittee No. 1, at which meeting it set the period of time of obligation in fiscal years 1956 and 1957, instead of the next 5 fiscal years as proposed in the original bill. Testifying before the subcommittee then were Hugh M. Milton 2d, Assistant Secretary of the Army; Roger Fulling, Director of Construction, and other officials of the Defense Department. A representative, Donald W. McGowan, appeared for the National Guard Association.

NATIONAL RESERVE PLAN

Committee on Armed Services: Considered, but postponed further action until Wednesday, the report from Subcommittee No. 1 on H. R. 5297, to provide for the strengthening of Reserve forces.

ROCKET LAUNCHERS

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert special investigating subcommittee held further hearing last Friday in connection with its study of contracts negotiated by the Air Force to furnish rocket launchers. The purpose of the study is to determine why contracts for these launchers were awarded to a single company when similar-type launchers have been, and are, furnished for the Navy by three different companies. The witnesses heard were Irving Babbitt, president of the Century Industry Corp., San Pedro, Calif.; Knute Peterson, Radiant Manufacturing Co., Chicago, Ill.; and James Knoble, Cincinnati (Ohio) Industrial Finishing Co. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ALUMINA PLANT, WYOMING

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks (Texas) Subcommittee on Special Government Activities held further hearing last Friday in connection with its study of the disposal, through negotiated sale by the GSA, of an alumina plant located in Laramie, Wyo. Testifying on the subject were Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant U. S. Attorney General; Charles E. Eckert, legislative attorney, General Accounting Office; Representative Thomson and Senators Barrett and O'Mahoney, all of Wyoming; and representatives of private companies. Recessed until tomorrow (Tuesday) morning when GSA and Bureau of Reclamation officials are scheduled to testify.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee met with departmental officials today to resume its discussions regarding the upper Colorado River storage projects. Appearing at the session were Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, Department of the Interior; E. O. Larson, regional director, and J. Neil Murdock, regional geologist, Bureau of Reclamation office in Salt Lake City, Utah; and Kenneth B. Keener, chief engineer, Bureau of Reclamation office in Denver, Colo. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TRINITY RIVER DEVELOPMENT, CALIFORNIA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee completed hearings last Friday on H. R. 4663, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, pursuant to Federal reclamation laws, to construct, maintain, and operate the Trinity River development, Central Valley project, California. Speaking in support of the proposed legislation were Representative Scudder and California State Senator Edwin J. Regan. Recommending an amendment to the bill, so as to include partnership proposal, were three officials of the Pacific Gas & Electric Co., of San Francisco. These were Robert H. Gerdes, vice president and general counsel; Walter Dreyer, chief engineer; and John F. Bonner, engineer. Also supporting this change was Richard F. Denbo, manager, Eureka and Humboldt Counties Chamber of Commerce, Eureka, Calif.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act. Opposition was presented today to H. R. 4560 (to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulation), by Patrick L. Farnand, Minneapolis (Minn.) Gas Co., while favorable testimony on the same proposal was furnished by Matt Triggs of the American Farm Bureau Federation. The committee also received testimony from Otis H. Ellis, general counsel, National Oil Jobbers Council, Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

At last Friday's session opposition was expressed to H. R. 4560 by the following witnesses, who also recommended amendments and changes—Donald C. Luce, president, Public Service Electric & Gas, Newark, N. J.; Charles H. Frasier, executive engineer, Philadelphia (Pa.) Gas Works; John E. Heyke, Jr., president, Brooklyn (N. Y.) Union Gas Co.; R. H. Willis, vice president, Lake Shore Gas Co., Ashtabula, Ohio; Edward G. Boyer, manager of gas operations, Philadelphia (Pa.) Electric Co.; James O. Watts, Jr., vice president, Commonwealth Natural Gas Corp., Richmond, Va.; and D. G. Allen, New England Power Service Co., representing nine New England gas companies.

FLAMMABLE FABRICS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance announced that public hearings have been scheduled for Thursday (2 p. m.), April 21, on H. R. 5222, to amend the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard.

BOSTON, MASS., TIDEWATERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House (last Friday) H. R. 1816, to declare as nonnavigable tidewaters in Fort Point Channel and South Bay, Boston, Mass.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard testimony today on several private immigration bills. Ordered reported favorably to the full committee 9 private immigration bills of the House, 8 of the Senate, and S. Con. Res. 17, amended, favoring the suspension of deportation of certain aliens. Also reported adversely on 12 other private immigration bills of the House.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks today urged enactment of H. R. 4260, the National Interstate Highway Act, as the committee began its series of hearings on various proposals regarding Federal aid to highway construction. Committee recessed until tomorrow when it is scheduled to hear C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner of Public Roads; and F. V. duPont, special consultant on highways, Department of Commerce.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES' SALARIES

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule, providing for 2 hours of general debate on H. R. 4644, the postal employees' pay increase and classification adjustment bill. Representatives Murray of Tennessee and Rees of Kansas requested favorable consideration of the legislation as reported from the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, carrying an average increase of 7.6 percent and an adjusted schedule of reclassifications. Representatives Morrison, Tumulty, Fascell, Pfost, and Moss urged enactment of the measure containing three amendments, proposed in committee by Representative Moss. These amendments would increase salaries by an average of 8.2 percent; make the retroactive date of all increases March 1, 1955, instead of the nearest pay period at final enactment; and require a report to Congress by next January 15 from the Postmaster General, relative to the operation of the new reclassification program. As approved, the rule will permit that the three Moss amendments may be offered from the floor.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC PREPAREDNESS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Military Applications Subcommittee met in executive session with Secretary of State Dulles to discuss the general subject of atomic preparedness. Subcommittee Chairman Jackson announced that following today's meeting a series of hearings will be held throughout the remainder of the session to receive testimony from ranking civilians and Government officials in order to determine whether all possible steps are being taken to guarantee that our atomic weapons program is making its greatest possible contribution to the military defense of the U. S.

AEC BUILDING AND EFFECT OF ATOMIC DETONATIONS ON WEATHER

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: On Friday, April 15, the committee held an executive meeting to discuss procedures for reporting an original bill authorizing the construction of a principal office building for the Atomic Energy Commission.

Also, in executive session, followed by open hearings, the committee received testimony with regard to allegations that atomic detonations affect weather conditions. Witnesses heard were: Chairman Strauss, Dr. John von Neumann, member, and other AEC officials, and Dr. Harry Wexler, Chief of Scientific Services Division, Weather Bureau. The witnesses stated that all theories advanced alleging that atomic explosions do affect weather conditions have been thoroughly studied, and that no evidence to substantiate any of these theories has been found.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Joint Committee on Defense Production: On Friday, April 15, the committee held hearings to receive testimony from ODM Director Arthur S. Flemming on the progress achieved to date under the Defense Production Act and on current production problems. Mr. Flemming announced that a goal for electric power has been set at 150 million kilowatts as of the end of the year 1958, an increase of 34 million kilowatts over that which is anticipated as of the end of 1955.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to limit debate on upper Colorado River storage bill.
House passed bill aiding local-service air carriers.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4622–4632

Bills Introduced: 13 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1724 to S. 1736; and S. Con. Res. 24. Pages 4626–4627, 4629

Bills Referred: 12 House-passed bills and 1 House-passed concurrent resolution were referred to appropriate committees. Page 4621

Labor Subcommittee Meeting: Subcommittee on Labor of the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare was authorized to meet tomorrow while Senate is in session. Pages 4621–4622

Colorado River Storage: Senate continued consideration of S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects, reaching unanimous-consent agreement to limit debate thereon as follows: Following routine morning business on Wednesday, April 20, debate on any amendment, motion, or appeal (except motion to lay on table) shall be limited to 1 hour, equally divided, and debate on final passage of bill shall be limited to 2 hours, equally divided; no nongermane amendment may be received. Pages 4634–4702

Confirmations: Two judicial nominations were confirmed. Page 4703

Nomination—Withdrawal: The nomination of one postmaster was withdrawn. Page 4703

Recess: Recessed at 6:07 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5239, appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal 1956, the Agriculture Subcommittee heard testimony from: (1) Representative Griffiths, who discussed a directive recently issued by the Department of Agriculture affecting home economics research, (2) representatives of various farm and agricultural organizations, who discussed the bill generally, and (3) representatives of parents associations, who appeared in support of school-lunch programs.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Defense, with testimony on funds for research and development from Assistant Secretary of Defense Donald A. Quarles, and on funds for comptrollership activities from Assistant Secretary of Defense W. J. McNeil.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5085, appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for fiscal year 1956, subcommittee heard testimony from Representative Hagen on additional funds for timber sales by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and from several outside witnesses on various provisions of the bill.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRADE AGREEMENTS AND NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Continuing its executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, the committee took the following actions:

(1) By voice vote, extended authority of President to enter into new trade laws until the close of June 30, 1958 (motion to limit extension to 2 years was defeated by vote of 8 to 7);

(2) Deleted subsections permitting President to avoid subdivision of classification categories, and fractions in the setting of rates;

(3) Voted to require President to submit a report on the operation of the Trade Agreements Program, and added to provisions of the bill requirement that the Tariff Commission also make such a report; and

(4) Approved an amendment requiring Tariff Commission to make public immediately escape-clause reports.

Also, the committee changed the language of subsection A, section 3 (enumerated Presidential powers) to conform to language used in prior extensions, and agreed to defer consideration of provisions relating to General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade pending committee consideration of H. R. 5550, authorizing U. S. membership in the Organization for Trade Cooperation, which organization would administer GATT.

The committee will meet again tomorrow when it will consider provisions relating to rate concessions and amendments to strengthen escape-clause and peril-point provisions of existing law. The Neely oil amendment and other commodity amendments will be taken up on Friday or Monday next.

Also in today's session the committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Orley McGlothlin, of Colorado, to be collector of customs at Denver.

YALTA PAPERS

Committee on Foreign Relations: The committee met in executive session to hear Secretary of State Dulles testify regarding circumstances of the release to the public of the Yalta papers.

SALINE WATER PROGRAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on S. 516, extension of the saline water program, with testimony favoring enactment of the bill from the following witnesses: Senator Case, sponsor of the bill; Edward Frye, Office of Assistant Secretary, who read a statement for Assistant Secretary Fred G. Aandahl, both of the Department of the Interior; David Jenkins, Director, Saline Water Program, Interior Department; Dean Sherwood, MIT; and James Applebaum, Oil, Chemical, and Atomic Workers Union, CIO, Denver.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following:

(1) With amendments, S. J. Res. 8, to amend the Constitution to authorize governors to fill temporary vacancies in Congress caused by disaster;

(2) Without amendment, S. J. Res. 31, proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the election of the President and the Vice President; and

(3) With an amendment, S. J. Res. 27, proposing a constitutional amendment providing for nomination of candidates for President and Vice President by primary elections.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings regarding the recanting by Harvey Matusow of some of his previous testimony. Witnesses today were: Harry Sacher, counsel for the defendants in the Flynn (Communist) case, New York; Robert E. Lewis, an attorney and associate of Harry Sacher; Mrs. Anita Willcox, South Norwalk, Conn., who furnished $10,000 bond for Matusow in the Texas case; and Joseph Starobin, of New York, formerly the foreign editor of the Daily Worker—each of these witnesses was in some way connected with Matusow's book, False Witness, or with his recantation of certain previous testimony, and Messrs. Lewis and Starobin and Mrs. Willcox refused, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), to answer some questions of the subcommittee:

V. O. Overcash, of Cut Bank, Mont., and J. H. Morrow, of Bozeman, Mont., both of whom discussed their part in Matusow's speaking tour in Montana in 1952; and

John Lautner, of Washington, D. C., a former Communist, who stated that he had attended Communist meetings with Nathan Witt and Harry Sacher.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Subcommittee on Labor continued its hearings on amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony today from Jacob S. Potofsky, president, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, Arthur Goldberg, general counsel, and Max Greenberg, president, Retail, Wholesale, and Department Store Union, all of the CIO; and Anthony Valente, president, Textile Workers of America, AFL.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

UNIFORMS, MAILING PRIVILEGES, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 1094, to remove limitation on amount of appropriations to be granted to Federal agencies for uniforms under Federal Employees Uniform Act; with amendments S. 1516, providing retirement, clerical assistants, and free mailing privileges to former Presidents of the U. S.; and 121 postmaster nominations.

SURVEY FOR FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors held hearings on S. 414, providing for preliminary examination and survey of New England coastal areas to determine possible means of preventing property damage and loss of life due to hurricane winds and tides. Testimony favoring enactment of the bill was received from Senators Bush, Purtell, and Saltonstall; Representatives Wainwright, Becker, and Derounian (latter submitted statement); Carter Page, Corps of Engineers, Army; William S. Wise, director, Connecticut Water Policy Commission, representing the Governor of Connecticut; James B. Buckley, New Bedford, Mass., representing Revere Copper & Brass Co.; Richard B. Young, New Bedford, Mass., representing Acushnet Process Co.; and Russell Dorr, Fire Island Erosion Control Committee.

Subcommittee will hold hearings tomorrow on S. 524 and S. 1318.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS ACT OF 1955

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its hearings on S. 636, to revise the Federal election laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections. Witnesses heard today were Prof. Alexander Heard, University of North Carolina; Harold Fellows, NARTB; and Neal Staebler, chairman of Michigan Democratic State Committee.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 25 public bills, H. R. 5645–5669; 24 private bills, H. R. 5670–5693; and 8 resolutions, H. J. Res. 282–284, H. Con. Res. 112–115, and H. Res. 211, were introduced. Pages 4722, 4747–4748

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 211, providing for 2 hours of debate on, and making in order certain amendments to, H. R. 4644, to increase the rates of basic salary of postmasters, officers, supervisors, and employees in the postal field service and to eliminate certain salary inequities (H. Rept. 423);

H. R. 5645, to authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to construct a modern office building in or near the District of Columbia to serve as its principal office (H. Rept. 424);

H. R. 2107, to amend the National Defense Act of 1950 to provide for additional facilities necessary for the administration and training of units of the Reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States (H. Rept. 425); and

Conference report on H. R. 4903, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 (H. Rept. 426). Page 4747

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4876, making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and the Tax Court of the United States for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Gary, Passman, Sieminski, Murray of Illinois, Cannon, Canfield, Wilson of Indiana, James, and Taber. Pages 4703–4704

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 874, 880, 935, 973, 977, 995, 998, 1002, 1028, 1047, 1083, 1155, 1156, 1157, 1158, 1202, 1205, 1247, 1252, 1255, 1300, 1333, 1337, 1357, 1393, 1417, 1467, 1472, 1473, 1475, 1487, 1535, 1655, 1684, 1751, 1922, 1954, 1974, 2052, 2068, 2353, 2470, 2924, 2933, 3022, 3036, 3066, 3069, 3070, 3071, 3074, 3075, 3180, 3359, 3958, 3975, 4182, 4418, 4506, 4536, 4637, 4714, 4865, 5078, and 5196.

Sent to the Senate, amended: H. R. 943, 947, 968, 997, 1025, 1111, 1281, 1283, 1287, 1296, 1299, 1338, 1339, 1400, 1468, 1474, 1525, 1747, 1879, 2358, 2893, 2904, 3152, 3852, 3853, 4245, 4249, and 4454.

Also concluded legislative action on H. Res. 193 and 202.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 1206, H. Con. Res. 98 and 99. Pages 4707–4721

Congressional Witness Fees: Adopted H. Res. 174, amending the rules of the House of Representatives to increase the pay of witnesses from $6 per day to $9. Pages 4722–4723

Civil Aeronautics: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 2225, to amend section 401 (e) of the Civil Aeronautics Act to require that permanent certificates of public convenience and necessity be issued to the local-service airlines now operating under temporary certificates issued by the Civil Aeronautics Board. Several committee amendments were adopted.

H. Res. 200, the rule providing for the consideration of the bill, was previously adopted. Pages 4723–4733

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:57 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILK MARKETING

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy Dairy Subcommittee began hearings to consider the subject of milk marketing orders and their relationship to milk distribution and milk prices. This is the first part of the subcommittee's study into the various aspects and factors of the dairy situation. The hearings are scheduled to run each day this week and into next week, Saturday omitted. Today's witness was Herbert L. Forest, Director of the Dairy Branch, Department of Agriculture.

SPECIAL DRAFT DEFERMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 heard testimony today regarding H. R. 2847, to provide for discharge and continuing deferment of persons of exceptional scientific, technical, and engineering ability under the Universal Military Training and Service Act. Representative Hinshaw, author of the bill, was the first witness, followed by Arthur S. Flemming, Defense Mobilizer; Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director of the Selective Service System; and Dr. Ralph W. Chaney,

University of California. Recessed on the subject until Thursday morning.

MILITARY PROPERTY CONVEYANCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 approved the following measures for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 489, amended, authorizing transfer of portion of Camp Mabry, Austin, Tex., to State of Texas; H. R. 755, authorizing conveyance of certain property at Camp Dodge, Polk County, Iowa, to State of Iowa; H. R. 4294, amending U. S. Code, concerning interchange of supplies between the Armed Forces; and H. R. 5170, amended, providing for conveyance of Jackson Barracks, La., to State of Louisiana. Department of Defense representatives furnished testimony on the bills during subcommittee consideration today.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed public hearings on legislation proposing Federal assistance to States for school-construction purposes. Testimony on the subject was received today from John Burkhart, representing the Indianapolis chapter of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Resumed consideration of draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Appearing at the session were Sidney Gross, Chief, Legal and Legislative Section, Office of Alien Property (Department of Justice); Benedict M. English, Assistant Legal Adviser for International Claims, State Department; William E. Griffin, Office of Legal Adviser, State Department; and Isidore Alk, attorney, Washington, D. C. An executive session followed the open hearing. Hearing on same subject will be continued tomorrow morning with public witnesses.

ALUMINA PLANT, WYOMING

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks (Texas) Subcommittee on Special Government Activities heard further testimony today regarding a study of the disposal, through negotiated sale by the GSA, of an alumina plant located in Laramie, Wyo. At the session the subcommittee had as its final witnesses, Edmund F. Mansure, General Services Administrator; Maxwell Elliott, General Counsel, GSA; R. J. Walter, Jr., regional director at Denver, Colo., Bureau of Reclamation; and Charles C. Baker, Assistant Chief, Power Division, Bureau of Reclamation. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 104, a bill which would supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Representative Radwan, of New York, opposed enactment of H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulations. The committee has under consideration H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Other opponent witnesses heard today were Wesley W. Cooper, member of the Arlington (Va.) County Board, who was accompanied by Charles E. Hammond, executive assistant public utilities commissioner, Arlington County, Va. Testimony on the pending subject was also received from Representative Thomson of Wyoming. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning, when representatives of the National Coal Association are scheduled to testify.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Edward S. Silver, district attorney of Kings County, Brooklyn, N. Y., testified today before Subcommittee No. 5 during its consideration of pending wiretapping bills. The measures under consideration are H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5096. Hearings are scheduled to be resumed on Thursday morning.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT, MARITIME

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: In executive session, received report from committee staff members relating to conferences between officials of labor and management in the maritime industry in the East, Gulf, and Great Lakes States' areas. The committee adopted staff recommendation that hearings in this field be conducted.

POSTAL EMPLOYEE BONDING

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 4778, providing for purchase of bonds to cover employees of the Post Office Department.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continued public hearings for consideration of pending proposals regarding Federal aid to highway construction. Speaking on behalf of H. R. 4260, the administration's National Interstate Highway Program, were C. D. Curtiss, United States Commissioner of Public Roads; and F. V. du Pont, Special Highway Consultant to the Secretary, Department of Commerce. Will resume tomorrow when Gen. Lucius Clay, Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on a National Highway Program, is scheduled to testify.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Resumed consideration of a rule on H. R. 2535, to admit Alaska and Hawaii into the Union. Speaking today, on behalf of the proposed legislation, were Delegate Farrington, of Hawaii, and Representative Saylor, of Pennsylvania. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

WASHINGTON SQUARE PROJECT

Select Committee on Small Business: Multer Subcommittee No. 2 completed a hearing today to consider the Washington Square southeast slum clearance project, located in the lower part of Manhattan, adjacent to Washington Square, in New York City. The purpose of the hearing was to inquire into the effects, if any, of the project upon small business and the employees in that area, as well as the legality of the proposed project under Federal law. Those testifying were Frank Howley, vice chancellor of New York University; and the following officials of the city of New York—William S. Lebwohl, counsel to Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority; Harry Taylor, director of slum clearance; and Samuel Brooks, assistant corporation counsel. Testimony was also received from the following officials of the Housing and Home Finance Agency—Albert M. Cole, Administrator; James W. Follin, Urban Renewal Commissioner; Joseph Guandolo, Associate General Counsel; and Howard J. Wharton, Regional Director of Urban Renewal. Other witnesses included representatives of the Washington Square Neighbors Association, and the Amalgamated Machine Instrument, and Metal Union, local No. 475; Jules Abels, Office of the Economic Adviser, Small Business Administration; and Louis H. Solomon, of New York City.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: Began hearings relative to its investigation and study of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. The committee received by testimony, explanatory charts, and analysis, its first departmental views on the subject. Appearing at the session, accompanied by other members of the study task force, was Rear Adm. E. W. Grenfell, Deputy Assistant Chief (Military Personnel Security), Bureau of Naval Personnel. Hearings will be continued tomorrow when the same witness is scheduled to testify.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed version of H. R. 4903, supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1955.

Wednesday, April 20, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received President's message on foreign aid and completed action on second supplemental appropriation bill.

Senate passed upper Colorado River storage bill and bill on local service air carriers.

House passed postal employees' pay raise and classification adjustment bill.

Senate Agriculture Committee approved numerous bills for reporting.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4769–4788

Bills Introduced: 34 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1737 to S. 1770; and S. Con. Res. 25.

Pages 4772, 4781

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1516, providing retirement, clerical assistants, and free mailing privileges to former Presidents of the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 205);

S. 1628, providing relief to farmers and farmworkers suffering crop losses or loss of employment because of damage to crops caused by weather, insects, disease, or other natural causes, with amendments (S. Rept. 206);

S. 1079, providing for sale of certain lands in the national forests, with amendments (S. Rept. 207);

S. 1372, to extend the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen (S. Rept. 208);

S. 153, to amend the Rural Electrification Act regarding unexpended or unobligated sums, with an amendment (S. Rept. 209);

H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments (S. Rept. 210);

H. R. 4647, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with amendments (S. Rept. 211);

S. 998, conveyance of a certain tract of land in the State of Oklahoma to the city of Woodward, Okla. (S. Rept. 212);

H. R. 2839, providing for reapportionment of rice acreage allotments voluntarily surrendered to county committees (S. Rept. 213); and

H. R. 4356, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act with respect to rice allotment history (S. Rept. 214). Page 4772

Bills Referred: 92 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 4768–4769

Bills Placed on Calendar: H. R. 2225, to amend section 401 (e) of the Civil Aeronautics Act to require that permanent certificates of public convenience and necessity be issued to the local-service airlines now operating under temporary certificates issued by the CAB, was placed on calendar, along with H. R. 1252, a private bill. Page 4769

President's Message—Mutual Security Funds: Message from President recommending approval of $3.53 billion for mutual security program for fiscal year 1956, was received; referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 4820, 4824–4827

Colorado River Storage: By 58 yeas to 23 nays, Senate passed with amendments S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects, after taking the following additional actions on amendments:

Adopted: Kuchel amendment making available for developments in the entire Colorado River Basin (rather than solely within upper Colorado River Basin) revenues from the project after its cost is repaid; and

Rejected: Kuchel amendment (to committee amendment) to limit legislation to developments contained therein and to preclude additional projects under the allocations in the Colorado River compact and the upper Colorado River Basin compact; and by 30 yeas to 52 nays, Neuberger amendments to eliminate language authorizing construction and operation of Echo Park Dam (motion to reconsider being tabled). Pages 4788–4813

Committee Expenditures: By unanimous consent there were referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration the following two previously reported resolutions: S. Res. 92, authorizing Committee on the Judiciary from May 1, 1955, through January 31, 1956, to expend not more than $50,000 for examination and review of administration of Patent Office, and S. Res. 33, authorizing Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to make a study and investigation with respect to the administration of civil-service system by the CSC and other Government agencies. Pages 4813, 4820

Loyalty Day: Senate passed without amendment H. J. Res. 184, to designate the 1st day of May 1955, as Loyalty Day, after first discharging Committee on the Judiciary from further consideration of the bill. S. J. Res. 58, a similar bill, was then indefinitely postponed. Page 4813

Civil Aeronautics: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 2225, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers, after adopting Magnuson amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and substitute the provisions of S. 651 (a similar bill) with committee amendments. Pages 4813–4819

AEC Office Building: Senate made its unfinished business S. 1722, to authorize Atomic Energy Commission to construct its principal office building in the D. C. area. Page 4819

Supplemental Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 4903, second supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1955, clearing bill for White House. Pages 4819–4820

Confirmations: Senate confirmed nomination of G. Frederick Reinhardt, of California, to be Ambassador to the State of Vietnam, one nomination to a U. N. body, one civilian nomination, and 122 postmaster nominations. One postmaster nomination was rejected. Pages 4821–4822

Recess: Recessed at 5:42 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—S. J. Res. 60, directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls; S. 998, conveyance of a certain tract of land in the State of Oklahoma to the city of Woodward, Okla.; S. 1372, to extend the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen; H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments; H. R. 2839, providing for reapportionment of rice acreage allotments voluntarily surrendered to county committees; H. R. 4356, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act with respect to rice allotment history; and H. J. Res. 107, to permit Federal release of reversionary rights in certain acreage to Vineland School District, Kern County, Calif.; and

Amended—S. 153, to amend the Rural Electrification Act regarding unexpended or unobligated sums;

S. 1079, providing for sale of certain lands in the national forests; S. 1628, providing relief to farmers and farmworkers suffering crop losses or loss of employment because of damage to crops caused by weather, insects, disease, or other natural causes; and H. R. 4647, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

Also, the chairman announced that subcommittees would be appointed to study the following bills: S. 1371, to promote an agricultural development program under title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act; S. 1396, Conservation Acreage Reserve Act of 1955; H. R. 122, to include onions within the provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act; and S. 1237, town sites from national forest land.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration, with testimony today on various aspects of the bill from numerous outside witnesses.

Subcommittee will meet tomorrow in executive session to mark up the bill.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE MANPOWER

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed budget estimates for the Defense Department for fiscal 1956, with testimony today from Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel Carter L. Burgess. Subcommittee also heard testimony from other departmental representatives on detailed justifications for the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

Hearings were recessed subject to call of the chair.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee heard further testimony from outside witnesses on H. R. 5085, appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for fiscal 1956. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: The Subcommittee on Civil Defense heard testimony today from HEW Secretary Oveta Culp Hobby and Dr. Paul Hawley, director of the American College of Surgeons.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

WAR HOUSING TRANSFER, FNMA, AND VA LOAN AUTHORITY

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Subcommittee on Housing held hearings as follows:

On S. 755, authorizing conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Warwick, Va., and to the city of Hampton, Va., with testimony from Charles E. Slusser, Commissioner, Public Housing Administration, and representatives of the cities of Warwick and Hampton, all of whom favored enactment of the bill;

On S. 1575, to amend the National Housing Act to provide for extension of certain purchase contracts of the Federal National Mortgage Association and S. 1645, to permit certain holders of mortgage purchase contracts with FNMA to exercise their rights under such contracts for additional periods of not to exceed 90 days, with opposing testimony from Albert M. Cole, Commissioner of HHFA, and Robert W. Reid, of the FNMA, and testimony favoring the bills (preferably S. 1575) from George S. Goodyear, National Association of Homebuilders; and

On S. 654, to extend the VA's direct-loan authority under title III of the Servicemen's Readjustment Act to correspond to the expiration dates provided for guaranteed loans under such title, with testimony from Thomas J. Sweeney, VA loan guaranty officer, who urged extension of the program for 2 years; and John S. Mears, American Legion, Charles E. Foster, DAV, and A. M. Downer, VFW, all of whom favored the bill.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, after which it made the following announcement:

Tentative Decisions Made by Senate Finance Committee on H. R. 1

The Finance Committee today discussed and by a vote of 11 to 1 adopted amendments to H. R. 1, proposed by Senator George, which would permit a completion of current trade agreements negotiations on the base of 50 percent of the January 1, 1945, rate, but which would prohibit additional cuts of 15 percent in any case where negotiations now in progress resulted in reductions of 15 percent or over. The amendments specifically change the base date for the 15 percent authority from July 1 to January 1, 1955.

Over 300 specific items are involved in the current negotiations including many chemicals, chinaware, glassware, metal products, agricultural products, fish products, and certain textiles.

The amendments also include the deletion of the part of the bill which would allow reductions of 50 percent of the January 1, 1945, rate on all items normally not imported or imported in negligible quantities.

The next meeting of the committee will be Monday, April 25, 1955, at which time the oil and other commodity amendments will be taken up.

REVIEW OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continuing its hearings, the Subcommittee on the U. N. Charter heard testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Bricker; Ernest Gross, former Deputy U. S. Representative to the U. N.; Jerry Voorhis, Cooperative League; George W. Williams, attorney of Baltimore; Clark M. Eichelberger, American Association for the U. N.; Merwin K. Hart, president, National Economic Council; Omar B. Ketchum, National Legislative Service,

accompanied by F. J. McNamara, director, American Sovereignty Campaign, VFW; and Fred G. Bauer, American Coalition.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDIANS—MINERAL LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Indian Affairs Subcommittee held hearings on S. 33, relating to the exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation. Testimony favoring its enactment was received from Senator Goldwater, Mark Manuel, of Sells, Okla., chief of Papago Tribal Council, and Thomas Segundo, a Papago Indian.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

ADMINISTRATION OF REFUGEE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its hearings with regard to charges made by Secretary of State Dulles and Edward J. Corsi, formerly of the Office of Refugee and Migration Problems, State Department, concerning the administration of the Refugee Act of 1953, Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees heard further testimony from Scott McLeod, Administrator, Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs, State Department, who alleged that confusion had existed as to Mr. Corsi's duties and responsibilities in the Department, Mr. McLeod having understood that Mr. Corsi had accepted employment to assist him, whereas Mr. Corsi had a different understanding of his work.

Further testimony was also given by Edward J. Corsi, who reported on an official trip he had made to Europe when he was accompanied by personnel of the State Department and who also testified as to his understanding of the scope of his duties and to whom he was responsible in his former position.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Internal Security Subcommittee had as its witness today Harvey Matusow, a former Communist, who has recanted on some of his previous testimony. The witness, who is presently free on appeal bond from proceedings in a Federal district court in Texas, was questioned with regard to documents that he had supplied to the subcommittee and documents that the New York court (before which he testified) had supplied to the subcommittee.

Hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee held hearings on youth employment problems, with Senator Kefauver presenting his statement on this subject, and stressing the need for these hearings. Others heard by the subcommittee were G. Howland Shaw, chairman, subcommittee on youth employment, D. C. Commissioners' Youth Council, and special adviser to this subcommittee, who outlined the problem as it exists today and made suggestions for providing more counseling and guidance for teenagers who drop out of school or come in conflict with the law; Charles Odell, chief of counseling, selective placement and testing, Bureau of Employment Security, Labor Department, who described employment service's program for high-school graduates, emphasizing the need for more counseling and guidance in schools and the need for special educational services to deal with the emotionally maladjusted and retarded, and who also called for closer cooperation between schools and employment services in providing help and guidance toward employment for teenagers; and Elizabeth S. Johnson, Chief, Division of Child Labor and Youth Employment, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Labor Department, who gave the trends in employment for young workers, stressing need for cooperation between schools and employment servicing, and making available to the subcommittee the latest research on youth and employment and problems connected therewith, pointing out there will be 12 million students by 1960—double the number in 1950, which complicates the entire problem.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on several bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, and heard testimony from: David Dubinsky, president, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, AFL; S. G. Lippman, general counsel, Retail Clerks International Association, AFL; James B. Carey, president, International Union of Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers, CIO; Joseph A. Beirne, president, Communications Workers of America, CIO, accompanied by Mrs. Alene Lemon, a telephone company employee; and Jack G. Day, counsel, Mechanics Educational Society of America.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

UNEMPLOYMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Unemployment Subcommittee resumed its hearings into the cause or causes of unemployment in certain industries, with testimony today from Charles P. Taft, president, Committee for National Trade Policy. Mr. Taft discussed problems of unemployment faced by the coal and oil industries.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call of the chair.

NEW ENGLAND HURRICANE TIDAL FLOODS

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors held hearings on S. 524, to investigate the problem of protecting Narragansett Bay and the southern shores of New England from hurricane tidal floods. Testimony favoring enactment of this bill was heard from the following witnesses: Senators Green and Pastore; Governor Roberts

of Rhode Island; Mayors Walter H. Reynolds of Providence, R. I., and Joseph Mills of Warwick, R. I.; Robert H. Simpson, U. S. Weather Bureau; John Clemens and A. Perry Avery, both of Providence Chamber of Commerce; E. T. Dahl, Hammel-Dahl Co., Warwick, R. I.; Arthur Gervasini and Frank Cappuccio, both of Westerly, R. I.; Judge James Watts, Narragansett, R. I.; William Leslie, Jr., Kingstown, R. I.; Nathaniel Smith, Jr., Wakefield, R. I., Chamber of Commerce; Frank L. Martin, Bristol, R. I.; Roswell S. Bosworth, Jr., Harbor Development Commission, Bristol, R. I.; and Theron S. Curtis, Providence Hurricane Protection Committee.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Continuing its hearings on S. 636, to revise the Federal election laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections, Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections heard testimony from Representative Hagen, who favored provisions of the bill generally but recommended in addition that candidates be allowed a reasonable limit of spending in their own campaigns, that a candidate be allowed liberal income-tax deduction for his own campaign expenditures and that individual contributors be allowed as much as $100 income-tax deduction for political contributions, and Representative Hagen stated that disclosures required as to political expenditures are not now complete enough to give the public the information it should have. Testimony also was given by Mrs. Clara Shirpsen, California Democratic Committeewoman, who also generally favored S. 636, except that an increase from $5,000 to $10,000 in limit on individual contributions might result in a "bonus" to wealthy families; she also recommended that prohibition against contributions from certain interests be extended to those engaged in gambling, liquor business, or public utilities; Mrs. Shirpsen also recommended that political committees as a relief from administrative work not be required to report petty expenditures.

Subcommittee continues on Tuesday, April 26.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT POLICIES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Subcommittee on Military Procurement began hearings on Defense Department procurement policies and procedures which affect small-business firms. Witnesses heard today were Thomas Pike, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Supply and Logistics; John Hamlin, Defense Department small-business adviser; Frank Higgins, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Logistics and Research and Development; Jack Askins, Department of the Army small-business adviser, and Gen. Henry Westphalinger. The witnesses presented a review of the current small-business programs and policies of their departments.

It was announced that the Defense Department had issued today a directive (No. 4200.20) dealing with small-business subcontracting policy.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 66 public bills, H. R. 5694–5759; 25 private bills, H. R. 5760–5784; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 212 and 213, were introduced. Pages 4867–4869

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows: Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 427 and 428).

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Appropriations—Supplemental: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 4903, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 1955, and sent the bill to the Senate. On the amendments in disagreement the House voted to recede and concur in Senate amendments Nos. 2, 4, 7, 9, 14, 22, 35, 36, 37, 39, 41, 45, 46, 52, 53, 63, 64, and 66. On amendments Nos. 18, 19, and 22 the House receded and concurred with further amendments that reduce by $58,000 the general supply fund expenses of the General Services Administration; cut $6,000 from funds provided for Soo Locks Centennial Celebration Commission, and to reduce by $25,000 the amount provided for Indian health activities, respectively. Pages 4821–4824

President's Message—Mutual Security: Received a message from the President requesting congressional approval of funds totaling $3,530 million for the mutual security program for fiscal year 1956. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 144).

Pages 4824–4827

Postal Pay: Passed by a record vote of 324 yeas to 85 nays, H. R. 4644, the postal employees' pay increase and classification adjustment bill, after rejecting a recommital motion on a rollcall vote of 125 yeas to 287 nays. This passage was later vacated and the House bill tabled after S. 1, a similar bill, was amended to contain the provisions of H. R. 4644, as passed by the House, after which S. 1 was passed and returned to the Senate.

Adopted a series of three amendments, submitted by Mr. Moss, designed to require a report by the Postmaster General to Congress by January 15, 1956, relative

to the operation of the new reclassification program; increase postal salaries by an average of 8.2 percent in lieu of 7.6 percent as provided by the bill; and to make the salary increase retroactive to March 1, 1955.

A demand for a separate vote on the amendment increasing the salary raise resulted in its adoption by a record vote of 224 yeas to 189 nays.

H. Res. 211, the rule providing for 2 hours of debate on, and the limiting of amendments to, H. R. 4644, the postal employees' pay raise and classification adjustment bill, was previously adopted by a division vote of 259 yeas to 32 nays. Pages 4828–4864

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:17 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILK MARKETING

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy Dairy Subcommittee continued study of proposed legislation regarding Federal milk marketing agreements. Herbert L. Forest, Director of the Dairy Branch, accompanied by other representatives of the Department of Agriculture, presented further testimony today. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Considered, but took no final action on, H. R. 5297, the National Reserve Plan. Deferred further action until next Tuesday morning.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Considered, but deferred further executive action until tomorrow, H. R. 2674, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: At today's hearing on proposed legislation to provide Federal assistance to States for school construction, testimony was received from H. A. Stansbury, representing the West Virginia State Chamber of Commerce; and Arthur V. Burrowes, St. Joseph, Mo., president of the Missouri Public Expenditures Survey. Committee recessed until tomorrow morning.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in open and executive sessions to consider the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Witnesses heard today were Nicholas R. Doman, of Smith, Sargent, Doman & Grant, New York City; George A. Spiegelberg, of Riegelman, Strasser & Spiegelberg, New York City; Samson Selig, attorney of New York City; and Myron Wiener, Seymour J. Rubin, and Chester C. Shore, attorneys, Washington, D. C. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

SCHOOL SURPLUS COMMODITIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Fountain Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations resumed hearings in connection with its study of distribution cost of school surplus commodities donated by the Department of Agriculture to schools and institutions in Midwestern States. Testifying today were James W. Dunbar, president of Dunbar & Co., Springfield, Ill.; and Halbert A. Schussele, C. P. A., Turnbull & Co., Springfield, Ill. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

TERRITORIAL LEGISLATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien (New York) subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 5300, authorizing establishment of the City of Refuge National Historical Park, in Hawaii; H. R. 899, sale of certain land to Oscar H. Vogel, of Anchorage, Alaska; H. R. 4853, amended, to authorize sale of certain land in Alaska to Pacific Northern Timber Co.; and H. R. 5166, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska. Officials of the Department of Interior, who spoke on the respective measures under jurisdiction of their office, were Conrad L. Wirth, Director of the National Park Service; Harold Hochmuth, lands officer, Bureau of Land Management; Kirtley Coulter, Assistant Director, Office of Territories in Alaska; Fred Weiler, assistant lands officer, Bureau of Land Management; and George Milner, Office of Territories.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee resumed consideration of legislation relating to the upper Colorado River storage projects. Pending bills on this subject are H. R. 270, 2836, 3383, 3384, and 4488. Further testimony was received today from the following officials of the Department of the Interior—Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; Elmer Bennett, Department's legislative counsel; E. O. Larson, regional director, and J. Neil Murdock, regional geologist, Bureau of Reclamation office, Salt Lake City, Utah; and Kenneth B. Keener, chief engineer, Bureau of Reclamation office in Denver, Colo. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued public hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills, amending the Natural Gas Act. Opposition to enactment of H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulation, was expressed today by Rolla D. Campbell, general counsel, Island Creek Coal Co., Huntington, W. Va., who appeared on behalf of the National Coal Association. Representatives of this group are scheduled to testify further tomorrow morning.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 1768, amended, for the relief of certain persons and the Jefferson and Plaquemines Drainage District in Louisiana. Also reported favorably on 15 private claim bills and adversely on one other.

CANADIAN VESSELS, ALASKA

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Voted to report to the House, S. 948, authorizing, until June 30, 1956, Canadian vessels to carry passengers between ports in southeastern Alaska directly or via a foreign port, and passengers or merchandise between Hyder, Alaska, and other Alaskan or continental United States ports. Testifying on the proposal were A. M. Edwards, Associate Solicitor, Division of Territories, Department of Interior; and Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, author of H. R. 612, a companion House measure which was also considered and ordered tabled. Miscellaneous statements on the proposal were submitted for incorporation in the record.

MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Considered H. R. 3088, 595, and 3318, directing the Secretary of Commerce to maintain a Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N. Y., for merchant marine instruction and service preparation of persons nominated to said Academy. Heard on the proposal were Representatives Van Pelt (author of H. R. 595), Keogh (author of H. R. 3318), Derounian, and Becker. Officials of the Maritime Administration who testified were Clarence Morse, Administrator; Capt. Walter C. Ford, Deputy Administrator; Thomas E. Stakem, Jr., assistant to Deputy Ford; and Capt. John T. Everett, maritime training liaison officer. Testimony was also received from Capt. John M. Bishop, secretary-treasurer, International Organization of Masters, Mates, and Pilots, Inc.; and James J. Murphy, national president, Alumni Association of U. S. Merchant Marine Academy. Statements on the subject were submitted for the record by Members of Congress, industry representatives, and other interested citizens. The proposal is expected to be considered executively tomorrow morning.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Testimony urging enactment of H. R. 4260, the administration's National Interstate Highway Program, was presented today by Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on a National Highway Program. General Clay is scheduled to return Friday morning for further testimony and committee interrogation. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning when the first scheduled witness will be Maj. Gen. Paul F. Yount, Chief of Transportation (Army).

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Completed public sessions on rule consideration for H. R. 2535, to admit Alaska and Hawaii into the Union. Representatives Davis of Georgia and Pillion spoke today in opposition to the proposal. No date was set at this time for future committee consideration. Recessed until tomorrow morning when rules will be considered for H. R. 12, farm price-support bill; H. R. 4954, damages under antitrust laws (Clayton Act); and H. R. 5645, to construct Atomic Energy Commission Building in D. C.

VA DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Housing ordered favorably reported to the full committee a bill, to be introduced today by Subcommittee Chairman Edmondson, to extend the direct-loan program to June 30, 1956—similar to H. R. 5420, on which hearings were held on April 14.

Upon recommendation of the subcommittee, Chairman Teague (Texas) of the full committee has scheduled hearings on Tuesday, April 26, to receive testimony from the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs and other VA officials, on the status of the loan-guaranty program and proposals to require payment of closing costs by the veteran and the proposed curtailment by VA of issuance of commitments in certain areas deemed "overbuilt."

RENEGOTIATION ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Announced that executive consideration will be given next Monday morning, April 25, to H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 until December 31, 1956.

GASOLINE DISTRIBUTION COMPLAINTS

Select Committee on Small Business: Roosevelt Subcommittee No. 5 resumed hearings in connection with its study of alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by major oil companies against retail gasoline station operators. Today's witnesses included the following station operators—Harold Grindele, Toledo, Ohio; J. R. Purser, Shell dealer; John Thompson, Shell dealer; Floyd Byrum, Gulf dealer; and Larry Moore, all of Charlotte, N. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

SURVIVORS BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors Benefits: Continued hearings in connection with its study and investigation of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Further testimony was received today along with chart explanations from Rear Adm. E. W. Grenfell, Deputy Assistant Chief (Military Personnel Security), Bureau of Naval Personnel. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow afternoon.

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HIGHLIGHTS

House passed bills on Navy shipbuilding and conversion; and mental health.

Senate committees approved Agriculture appropriations and numerous defense bills.

Miscellaneous maritime and postal bills approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4886–4895

Bills Introduced: 7 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1771 to S. 1777; S. Con. Res. 26; and S. Res. 93. Pages 4887–4889

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. Con. Res. 26, providing for continuation of operation of Government tin smelters at Texas City, Tex. (S. Rept. 215). Page 4887

Agriculture Appropriations: Committee on Appropriations was authorized to file report on H. R. 5239, appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal year 1956. Page 4886

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:24 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: The Agriculture Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments H. R. 5239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration.

Following this action the full committee also approved the bill and ordered it favorably reported to the Senate. As approved by the committee the bill would provide total funds of $884,393,923, an increase of $4,133,873 over the House-passed figure of $880,260,050.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Concluding its open hearings on H. R. 5085, appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for fiscal 1956, the subcommittee heard further testimony from outside witnesses on various aspects of the bill.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Armed Services: The committee ordered favorably reported with amendments the following bills: S. 148, conveyance of Camp Dodge, Polk County, Iowa, to the State of Iowa; S. 14, conveyance of certain federally owned property in Austin, Tex., to the State of Texas; S. 653, conveyance of Jackson Barracks, La., to the State of Louisiana; S. 933, to facilitate the settlement of the accounts of deceased members of the uniformed services; and an original concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 26) providing for the continued operation of the Government tin smelters at Texas City, Tex.

Prior to approval of these bills, testimony was heard thereon as follows: On S. 148—testimony from Senator Hickenlooper, Lawson B. Knott, Office of Chief of Engineers, Army, and Brig. Gen. Oliver H. Bennett (retired), formerly JAG of Iowa National Guard; on S. 14—testimony from Lawson B. Knott; on S. 653—testimony from Senator Long and Lawson B. Knott; and on S. 933—testimony from Charles E. Eckert, Office of the Assistant to Comptroller General, Army.

The committee also approved for reporting 2,020 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps, including that of Rear Adm. Albert G. Mumma to be Chief of the Bureau of Ships.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: The Civil Defense Subcommittee heard testimony from the following witnesses: Under Secretary of Agriculture True D. Morse, who was accompanied by his assistant, Theodore S. Gold; Robert Clark, civil defense director, Saratoga County, N. Y.; Chester F. Peterson, chairman, special civil defense committee, County Supervisors Association of California; and Siegfried Goetze, executive director, Farm Emergency Bureau of Monrovia, Md.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

REVIEW OF U. N. CHARTER

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on U. N. Charter continued its hearings, receiving testimony from former President Herbert Hoover, who stated that although in the recent past he has believed consideration should be given to reorganizing the U. N. so as to eliminate the Soviet Union he does not now think such an approach to be feasible, and added that he does not think the U. N. or any organization that has any prospect for maintaining peace should be disbanded and that a comparison of U. N. with the former League

of Nations shows the U. N. to be superior to the League. Other witnesses presenting testimony were: Mrs. Waldo Stephens, national board member, League of Women Voters; Gerald L. K. Smith, director, Christian Nationalist Crusade; Clifford R. Johnson, International Peace Advocates Army, New York City; William Bross Lloyd, editor, Toward Freedom, Chicago; Prof. John S. Toll, chairman of department of physics, University of Maryland, appearing on behalf of Federation of American Scientists; Samuel Levering, chairman of executive council, Friends Committee on National Legislation; and Capt. Franz O. Willenbucher, USN (retired), appearing on behalf of National Sojourners. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Government Operations: The committee discussed H. R. 3322 and S. 1004, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. Representative John W. McCormack appeared in favor of H. R. 3322 as it passed the House, and representatives of the following agencies appeared with regard to proposed amendments to H. R. 3322: General Services Administration, General Accounting Office, Department of Defense, Bureau of the Budget, Health, Education, and Welfare. The committee took no final action, but will hold an executive session to consider the proposed amendments early next week.

The committee, in executive session, agreed to report favorably S. 1763, extension and final liquidation of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government. This bill would extend the Commission for 30 days, authorizing the Commission to submit its final report not later than June 30, 1955, and would also provide that the Chairman of the Commission shall have charge of the final liquidation of the affairs of the Commission after June 30, 1955, and that such liquidation shall be completed within a period not to exceed 90 days after June 30, 1955.

Committee also voted to authorize the filing of the Annual Report of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, covering its activities during the 2d session of the 83d Congress, and a report of the Subcommittee on Army Signal Corps—Subversion and Espionage, 83d Congress, 2d session.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 300, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project, Colorado.

ARIZONA INDIAN LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings on S. 33, relating to exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation, and on S. 34, providing for leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands in State of Arizona. Witnesses appearing in favor of the bills' enactment were: Senator Goldwater; H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Interior Department; John Denton, Association for Papago Affairs, Tucson, Ariz.; Arthur Lazarus, Association on American Indian Affairs; Paul Jones, chairman, Navajo Tribal Council; Helen Peterson, representing the National Congress of American Indians; and Thomas Segundo, a Papago Indian. Hearings continue on S. 33 on April 29.

SHIP CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries held hearings to discuss an integrated program for speeding construction of passenger and cargo vessels, for which funds were provided by the last Congress. Witnesses heard today were L. R. Sanford, Shipbuilders Council of America; Daniel D. Strohmeier, shipbuilding division, Bethlehem Steel Co.; Andrew A. Pettis, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America; and Paul R. Hutchings, Metal Trades Department, AFL.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ADMINISTRATION OF REFUGEE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees continued its hearings with regard to charges made by Secretary of State Dulles and Edward J. Corsi, formerly of the Office of Refugee and Migration Problems, State Department, concerning the administration of the Refugee Act of 1953, with further testimony from Edward J. Corsi. Other witnesses heard were: Maj. Gen. Arthur G. Trudeau, Assistant Chief of Staff, G–2, Intelligence, Lieutenant Colonel Todd, and Maj. J. E. O'Leary, all of Department of the Army; Assistant Secretary of Labor Rocco Siciliano, accompanied by Messrs. Motley and Schoenborn; Dr. Calvin B. Spencer, U. S. Public Health Service; and Louis Marhoefer, special representative to the subcommittee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency held hearings, with testimony as indicated, on the following three bills:

On S. 785, strengthening laws regarding parents who move away to avoid payment of support claims—with favoring testimony from Senator Capehart, coauthor of the bill, former Representative Andrew Jacobs, of Indiana, who had introduced similar bills in previous sessions, and a transcript of the hearings held March 9,

1954, by the subcommittee on S. 2662, a similar bill of the 83d Congress, was made a part of the record;

On S. 958, to increase influence of local authorities in dealing with juvenile delinquents—with opposing testimony from James V. Bennett, Director, Bureau of Prisons, Justice Department; and

S. 1087, aftercare payments for delinquents following release from training centers—with favoring testimony from James V. Bennett, who suggested a larger payment than $200 to those leaving receiving centers, and from George J. Reed, Chairman, Youth Division, Board of Parole, Justice Department. Hearings recessed subject to call.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous proposals to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Subcommittee on Labor had as its witnesses Walter P. Reuther, president of the CIO, and Solomon Barkin, research director, Textile Workers of America, CIO. Both witnesses supported S. 662, amending the FLSA to establish a $1.25 minimum hourly wage.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

LAKE TEXOMA HIGHWAY CROSSING

Committee on Public Works: The Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1318, authorizing construction of a highway crossing over Lake Texoma, Red River, Tex. and Okla. Testimony favoring enactment of the bill was heard from Senators Johnson of Texas (who filed a statement) and Monroney; Representative Wright; Charles G. Cotton, Chamber of Commerce, Fort Worth; R. B. Alexander, Texas Highway Department; and C. A. Stoldt, director, and LeRoy Powers, attorney, both of Oklahoma State Highway Department. Testimony in opposition to the proposed legislation was received from J. B. Brennan, representing the Corps of Engineers, Army, who explained the position of his department; and Floyd D. Peterson, representing the Bureau of the Budget.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT POLICIES

Select Committee on Small Business: Continuing its hearings on Defense Department procurement policies and procedures affecting small business firms, Subcommittee on Military Procurement heard the following witnesses from the Navy Department: Assistant Secretary of Navy (Material) Raymond H. Fogler; Vice Adm. M. L. Royar, Office of Naval Material; Comdr. Neale W. Curtin, assistant branch head and staff assistant, Small Business Procurement Division; and G. C. Bannerman, Assistant Director, Procurement Division. Testimony was directed to the start that has been made on a substantial subcontracting program with Navy prime contractors; the concern felt over fact that procurement of small business in the first 6 months of fiscal year 1955 has dropped from that of the first 6 months of fiscal 1954, the main reason being attributed to the large amount of heavy goods items purchased during the first half of the year; and the good working relationship established with the Small Business Administration. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 23 public bills, H. R. 5785–5807; 9 private bills, H. R. 5808–5816; and 12 resolutions, H. J. Res. 285 and 286, H. Con. Res. 116 and 117; and H. Res. 214–221, were introduced. **Pages 4898, 4935–4936**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 214, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5645, to authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to construct a modern office building in or near the District of Columbia to serve as its principal office (H. Rept. 429);

H. Res. 215, providing for the consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4954, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the United States to recover damages under the antitrust laws and establishing a uniform statute of limitations (H. Rept. 430);

S. 948, to provide transportation on Canadian vessels between Alaska and the United States (H. Rept. 431);

H. Res. 218, to improve food service facilities in the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 432);

H. Res. 219, to improve food service facilities in the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 433);

Report of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service entitled "The General Accounting Office's Report on Leave Practices in Post Offices" (H. Rept. 434); and

Report of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service entitled "The General Accounting Office's Report on Financial Management of the Post Office Department" (H. Rept. 435). **Page 4935**

Bill Rereferred: The Committee on Appropriations was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 5478, to authorize a $100 per capita payment to members of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians from the proceeds of the sale of timber and lumber on the Red Lake Reservation, and the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. **Page 4896**

Navy Shipbuilding and Conversion: Passed by a roll-call vote of 373 yeas to 3 nays H. R. 4393, to provide for the construction and conversion of certain modern naval vessels, after adopting several clarifying committee amendments. Adopted an amendment providing for naming an aircraft carrier U. S. S. *Kittyhawk*. This legislation authorizes the construction or conversion of specific vessels which the Department of Defense has presented as the proposed naval shipbuilding program for 1956.

H. Res. 199, the rule under which the legislation was considered, was adopted earlier. Pages 4898–4918

Mental Health Study: By a voice vote the House adopted H. J. Res. 256, the Mental Health Study Act of 1955. This resolution authorizes the appropriation of $1,250,000 over 3 years for a study by the Surgeon General of all aspects of the resources, methods, and practices for diagnosing, treating, caring for, and rehabilitating the mentally ill.

H. Res. 198, the rule making in order the consideration of the legislation, was previously adopted.

Pages 4899, 4919–4926

Capitol Restaurant Facilities: Adopted H. Res. 218, recommending that the Architect of the Capitol be authorized to take necessary steps to extend and complete the east central front of the Capitol in order to increase and improve the restaurant facilities in the Capitol. Page 4919

House Restaurant Facilities: Adopted H. Res. 219, recommending the relocation of the office of the Superintendent of the House Office Building and the beauty parlor in order to increase and improve the food service facilities for Members and employees of the House of Representatives. Page 4919

Bill Referred: S. 500, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects, was referred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 4934

Order of Business: Calendar Wednesday business, in order on April 27, was dispensed with pursuant to a unanimous-consent request. Pages 4918–4919

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:06 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILK MARKETING

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy Dairy Subcommittee held further consideration of proposed legislation pertaining to Federal milk marketing agreements. At the session, H. J. Emery, of the Livestock and Dairy Division, Commodity Stabilization Service, discussed milk and butterfat price-support operations since April 1, 1954. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the scheduled witness is Herbert C. Kreisel, agricultural economic statistician, Agricultural Marketing Service.

SPECIAL DRAFT DEFERMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 resumed public hearings on H. R. 2847, to provide for discharge and continuing deferment of persons of exceptional scientific, technical, and engineering ability under the Universal Military Training and Service Act. Testimony was received today from Dr. Howard A. Meyerhoff, Scientific Manpower Commission; Dr. Edmund Claxton, National Association of Manufacturers; Lt. Gen. Ira F. Eaker, U. S. Air Force (retired); and Pfc. Walter Bron, U. S. Army. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 2674, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System. Will resume on proposal next Tuesday morning.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Tax association groups testified today in connection with proposed legislation on Federal assistance to States for school construction. Witnesses heard were Steve Stahl, Oklahoma Public Expenditures Council; Fred W. Bennion, Wyoming Taxpayers Association; and George Stringfellow, New Jersey Taxpayers Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENTS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Heard further testimony from public witnesses at today's hearing on the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Those testifying were Valerio Georgescu; Jesse R. Smith, Armstrong Cork Co., Washington, D. C.; Nicholas J. Chase, attorney, of Washington, D. C.; Bernard Kovner, New York City; and Paul Neuberger, counsel for Committee for Protection of Claimants Pursuant to U. S.-Yugoslav Claims Settlement, New York City. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

FAR EAST-PACIFIC

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on the Far East and Pacific met for an executive briefing in an afternoon session today.

SCHOOL SURPLUS COMMODITIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Fountain Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations held further hearings in connection with its study of distribution cost of school surplus commodities donated by the Department of Agriculture to schools and institutions

in Midwestern States. Testifying again today were James W. Dunbar, president of Dunbar & Co., Springfield, Ill.; and Halbert A. Schussele, certified public accountant, Turnbull & Co., Springfield, Ill. Other rate experts and public accountants were also heard at the session. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

ALASKA, MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Territories considered, but took no action on, H. R. 610, and related measures, to establish a modern program for the hospitalization, care, and treatment for residents of Alaska who are mentally ill. Speaking in support of the subject were Roswell B. Perkins, Assistant Secretary for Health, Education, and Welfare; Dr. Jack Haldeman, Chief of the Division of General Health Services (HEW); Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent of St. Elizabeths Hospital; and Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

PAPAGO INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee considered, but took no action on, H. R. 2682, to withdraw from exploration, location, and entry mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation, Ariz. Witnesses speaking in support of the proposal were John Denton, chairman of the minerals rights committee, Association of Papago Indian Affairs; Mark Manuel, Papago tribal chairman; Thomas Segundo, former tribal chairman; and Paul Jones, Navajo Tribal Council. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Officials of the National Coal Association continued their testimony today in opposition to H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulation. The witnesses were Rolla D. Campbell, general counsel, Island Creek Coal Co., Huntington, W. Va.; and Ford K. Edwards, director of the association's Department of Coal Economics. Also heard testimony from Thomas Kennedy, vice president of the United Mine Workers of America. Recessed until tomorrow when this measure, and other related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act, will be further considered.

FLAMMABLE FABRICS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance completed a hearing on H. R. 5222, to amend the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard. Witnesses heard on the proposal were John L. Kilcullen, Associate General Counsel, Department of Commerce; George Marlin, representing National Women's Neckwear and Scarf Association; Irving Albert, Regal Accessories, New York City; Ely Kushel, attorney, New York City; R. E. Desvernine, representing Japanese Chamber of Commerce, New York and Washington; and Israel Otnow, of Derlocker & Co., Inc., New York City.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 resumed hearings on H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5096—pending measures pertaining to wiretapping. Today's witness was Robert E. Lee, Federal Communications Commissioner. Recessed until next Tuesday.

ESPIONAGE—POSTAGE STAMPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 3882, amended, to require the registration of certain persons who have knowledge of or have received instruction or assignment in the espionage, counterespionage, or sabotage service or tactics of a foreign government or foreign political party; and H. R. 5417, amended, to amend U. S. Code, relating to the sale or pledge of postage stamps.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 5650, to settle claims of military personnel for losses of personal property. Also reported favorably on two private claim bills of the House.

LIGHTHOUSE KEEPERS—INSPECTION CERTIFICATES—ACADEMY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3486 and S. 37, to make permanent the retirement pay increases granted former Lighthouse Service members by Public Law 672 (83d Cong.)—increase is the lesser of 15 percent or $265; and

H. R. 4646, to amend Revised Statutes in order to remove the requirement as to verifying under oath certain certificates of inspection.

Also considered, but deferred until a later date, H. R. 3088, directing the Secretary of Commerce to maintain a Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N. Y.

POSTAL LEGISLATION—ENGINEERS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3948, amended, to clarify the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act relative to enactment date;

H. R. 4659, amended, to correct inequities in pay schedules of dispatchers in the post-office motor-vehicle service;

H. R. 4778, amended, providing for purchase of bonds to cover employees of the Post Office Department;

H. R. 4817, amended, relating to the payment of money orders; and

H. R. 4936, to authorize the furnishing of subsistence and quarters, without charge, to employees of the Corps of Engineers engaged on floating plant operations.

MAILING STUDIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Announced appointment of subcommittee to consider the following—

H. R. 4585, to simplify the procedures governing the mailing of certain publications of church organizations (Representative Kilgore, chairman); and

H. R. 4808, to provide for transmission through the mails of keys and identification cards (Representative Dowdy, chairman).

LEAVE PRIVILEGES—ACCOUNTING

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Recommended that the House print a report by the General Accounting Office on abuses of leave in the postal service, and a progress report by the General Accounting Office on recommendations to improve the financial management of the Post Office Department.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Enactment of H. R. 4260, the National Interstate Highway Program, was urged by Maj. Gen. Paul F. Yount, Chief of Transportation, U. S. Army, who was accompanied by Kenneth Chacey, Special Assistant on Access Roads and Highways. The committee, which is in its first week of hearings on pending proposals regarding Federal aid to highway construction, will meet tomorrow morning for further testimony and interrogation of Wednesday's witness, Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on a National Highway Program.

ATOMIC ENERGY BUILDING—CLAYTON ACT—PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, providing for 1 hour of debate, on H. R. 5645, providing for construction of Atomic Energy Commission building in Washington, D. C. Representatives Durham and Cole appeared in support of the proposal.

Also granted an open rule, providing for 2 hours of debate, on H. R. 4954, granting a right of action to the United States to recover damages under the antitrust laws. Representatives Celler and Keating were heard on this proposed legislation.

Considered, but deferred further action until next Tuesday, a rule on H. R. 12, price-support program for basic farm commodities. Representative Poage testified on the measure.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on the Spanish War began consideration of 25 pending bills relating to the Spanish War period. Testimony was received from the following Members of the House—Representatives Mack of Washington, Long, O'Hara of Illinois, Denton, Hyde, Wier, and Siler. Other witnesses heard were Lloyd Thurston, William J. Otjen, and James Johnson on behalf of the United Spanish War Veterans; Adin M. Downer, representing the VFW; and F. O. Willenbucher, of the Retired Officers Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: Charles E. Eckert, legislative attorney for the General Accounting Office, testified at today's consideration and discussion of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. He is scheduled to resume at tomorrow's session.

GASOLINE DISTRIBUTION COMPLAINTS

Select Committee on Small Business: Roosevelt Subcommittee No. 5 continued its hearings relative to studying alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by major oil companies against retail gasoline-station operators. Testifying before the group today were Clarence Dority, Durham, N. C.; Charles Zemet, Johnstown, Pa.; Lee Gardner, Greenville, Tex.; Hugh Howard, Beaumont, Tex.; M. O. Rush, Dallas, Tex.; and George H. Roy, Springfield, Mass.

Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY-POST OFFICE AND TAX COURT

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 4876, providing appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and the Tax Court of the U. S., but did not complete their work, and will meet again Monday, April 25.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 72 bills on call of calendar.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 25 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1778 to S. 1802; S. J. Res. 67; S. Con. Res. 27 to S. Con. Res. 29; S. Res. 94.

Pages 4951–4952, 4959–4960

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5239, appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal year 1956, with amendments—reported after adjournment on April 21 under prior authorization (S. Rept. 216);

S. 1763, extension and final liquidation of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government (S. Rept. 217);

S. 14, conveyance of certain federally owned property in Austin, Tex., to the State of Texas, with amendments (S. Rept. 218);

S. 148, conveyance of Camp Dodge, Polk County, Iowa, to the State of Iowa, with amendments (S. Rept. 219);

S. 653, conveyance of Jackson Barracks, La., to the State of Louisiana, with amendments (S. Rept. 220);

S. 933, to facilitate the settlement of the accounts of deceased members of the uniformed services, with amendments (S. Rept. 221);

S. 1094, to remove limitation on amount of appropriations to be granted to Federal agencies for uniforms under Federal Employees Uniform Act (S. Rept. 222);

H. J. Res. 107, to permit Federal release of reversionary rights in certain acreage to Vineland School District, Kern County, Calif. (S. Rept. 223);

S. J. Res. 60, directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls (S. Rept. 224);

S. Con. Res. 18, National Mental Health Week observance (S. Rept. 225);

S. Con. Res. 23, National Hospital Week observance (S. Rept. 226);

S. 1271 and S. 1272, private bills (S. Rept. 227 and 228);

S. J. Res. 8, to amend the Constitution to authorize governors to fill temporary vacancies in Congress caused by a disaster (S. Rept. 229);

Report of Committee on Government Operations entitled "Army Signal Corps—Subversion and Espionage" made by its Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations (S. Rept. 230);

Annual Report of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of Committee on Government Operations (S. Rept. 231); and

S. Res. 94, authorizing expenditure of $50,000 by Committee on the Judiciary (for Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights) from May 1, 1955, through January 31, 1956 (no written report).

Pages 4993, 4950–4952

Bill Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 4942–4943

Agriculture Appropriations: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 5239, appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal year 1956. Page 4974

Bill Re-referred: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 3885, to authorize waiving of requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts, and the bill was re-referred to Committee on Armed Services. Page 4960

Civil Aeronautics: Senate insisted on its amendments to H. R. 2225, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Magnuson, Monroney, Bible, Bricker, and Payne. Page 4983

Postal Employees' Pay Increase: Senate disagreed to House amendment to S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Johnston (of South Carolina), Neely, Pastore, Carlson, and Langer.

Pages 4983–4996

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 72 measures, of which 63 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Rice acreage allotments: H. R. 2839, providing for reapportionment of rice acreage allotments voluntarily surrendered to county committees;

Rice allotment history: H. R. 4356, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act with respect to rice allotment history; and

Private bill: H. R. 1252.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Rice marketing quotas: H. R. 4647, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

AEC building: S. 1722, to authorize Atomic Energy Commission to construct its principal office building in the D. C. area;

Land transfer: S. 998, conveyance of a certain tract of land in the State of Oklahoma to the city of Woodward, Okla.;

Tin smelters: S. Con. Res. 26, providing for continuation of operation of Government tin smelters at Texas City, Tex.; and

Private bills: 53 private bills, S. 26, 29, 42, 71, 89, 90, 91, 93, 94, 95, 99, 100, 118, 119, 120, 121, 130, 162, 192, 193, 234, 238, 283, 320, 321, 322, 341, 353, 397, 439, 449, 467, 473, 570, 574, 587, 604, 633, 644, 650, 676, 707, 713, 714, 760, 827, 867, 1014, 1044, 1180, 1197, 1350, 1367.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Crop destruction: S. 1628, providing relief to farmers and farmworkers suffering crop losses or loss of employment because of damage to crops caused by weather, insects, disease, or other natural causes (Senator Williams later filed a motion to reconsider passage of this bill);

Emergency farm aid: S. 1372, to extend the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen;

Forest lands: S. 1079, providing for sale of certain lands in the national forests; and

Private bills: Nine private bills, S. 36, 68, 191, 236, 407, 504, 758, 844, and 974.

Bill indefinitely postponed: S. 196, a private bill.

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Treaties Received: Senate received two treaties, as follows, which were referred to Committee on Foreign Relations:

Convention between U. S. and Italy for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to income taxes, signed at Washington, D. C., on March 30, 1955 (Exec. C, 84th Cong., 1st sess.); and

Convention between U. S. and Italy for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to estate and inheritance taxes, signed at Washington, D. C., on March 30, 1955 (Exec. D, 84th Cong., 1st sess.).

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Nominations: Nominations were received by Senate as follows: 4 civilian, 4 Air Force, 745 Army, 1,563 Navy, 111 postmasters, and 1 postmaster withdrawal.

Pages 5025–5032

Recess: Recessed at 6:11 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: The Labor-HEW Subcommittee held and concluded hearings on Labor Department provisions of H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor, HEW, and related agencies. Testimony was heard today from Secretary Mitchell and the various bureau heads.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from HEW representatives.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: The Subcommittee on Public Works heard Maj. Gen. S. D. Sturgis, Chief, and Brig. Gen. E. C. Itschener, Assistant Chief for Civil Works, both of the Corps of Engineers, Army, present an outline of the program for their department.

Subcommittee will meet again on Monday, May 2.

REFUGEE RELIEF PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, April 22, the State, Justice, Judiciary Subcommittee held hearings to receive testimony on the refugee relief program from Scott McLeod, Administrator, Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs.

Subcommittee will hold executive hearings on Tuesday, April 26, to hear Secretary Dulles.

STOCKPILING—TITANIUM

Committee on Armed Services: The Stockpiling Subcommittee (Senators Symington and Duff) met in executive session to consider matters pertaining to titanium, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: On Friday, April 22, the Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved the following projects:

Navy acquisition project No. 116, at Point Loma, Calif.;

Navy disposal projects Nos. 34, at Pensacola, Fla.; 36, at Dallas, Tex.; 38, at Point Pleasant, W. Va.; 41, in Newport County, R. I.; 45, at Dartmouth, Mass; 46, Clay County, Fla.; 49, Brevard County, Fla.; and 51, at Edgewater, N. J.;

Army acquisition project No. 130, Birmingham, Ala.; and

Army disposal projects Nos. 52, at Chicago, Ill.; 53, at Battle Creek, Mich.; and 54, at Arlington, Va.

CUMULATIVE VOTING

Committee on Banking and Currency: On Friday, April 22, Subcommittee on Banking, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment S. 256, to eliminate cumulative

voting of shares of stock in the election of directors of national banking associations unless provided for in articles of association.

D. C. FAMILY COURT

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary began hearings on S. 1289, to establish a family court in and for the District of Columbia, with testimony from the following proponents of the bill: Samuel Spencer, President of the D. C. Board of Commissioners, and Chief Judge Leonard P. Walsh, D. C. municipal court, both of whom suggested that the bill be amended before enactment; and Bruce Baird, representing the D. C. Board of Trade, Chief Judge Bolitha J. Laws and Judge Edward A. Tamm, both of U. S. District Court for the D. C.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from opponents of the bill.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its executive consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, and discussed today various proposed amendments relating to the limiting of oil imports and strengthening escape-clause provisions. Committee took no votes on these matters, and will meet again tomorrow.

REVIEW OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on the U. N. Charter concluded its hearings with testimony from the following witnesses: Joseph E. Johnson, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; Miss Gertrude S. Carraway, president general, DAR; C. M. Stanley, United World Federalists; Charles G. Bolte, AVC; Everett L. Millard, Conference Upon Research and Education in World Government, Chicago; Mrs. James B. Patton, chairman, national defense committee, DAR; Rev. Donald Harrington, American Unitarian Association; and Mrs. Ernest W. Howard, representing Wheel of Progress.

On Friday, April 22, subcommittee heard from the following witnesses: Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt; Paul S. Andrews, dean emeritus, Syracuse University Law School; John J. Barnhardt, American Legion; Dr. Lev Dobriansky, Ukrainian Congress Committee of America, Inc.; B. Schneeberg, New York Citizens Committee for a Peoples' World Convention; Mrs. Frances Fenner, Afton, N. Y.; and Murray S. Eckell, American University student.

WASHITA RIVER BASIN PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held and concluded hearings on S. 180, authorizing the Secretary of Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma. Testimony favoring the bill's enactment was heard from Senators Kerr and Monroney; James Bradley, Robert Jennings, regional director, Bureau of Reclamation, Amarillo, Tex., M. G. Barclay, reclamation area engineer, Oklahoma City, and N. B. Bennett, Bureau of Reclamation, all of the Department of Interior; Albert Connel, Washita Valley Improvement Association, Anadarko, Okla.; L. G. Gary, Chickasha, Okla.; Parker Woodall, Verden, Okla.; Eugene Mann, Hobart, Okla.; Huston Hullin, Cordell, Okla.; Ira Huskig, Oklahoma City; and Charles Engleman, Clinton, Okla.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

PUBLIC LANDS BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Friday, April 22, the Subcommittee on Public Lands approved for full committee action the following bills: S. 265, to amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands so as to increase limitation on desert entries made under such acts to 320 acres; S. 266, authorizing transfer of certain federally owned land to the State of Wyoming; S. 732, to promote public cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of certain historic properties in the New York City area; S. 748, to prohibit U. S. from acquiring mineral interests in lands acquired by it except when necessary to serve the purpose for which such lands are acquired; S. 824, to authorize Secretary of Interior to convey certain lands erroneously conveyed to the U. S.; S. 1529, to revise the boundaries of the Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, S. Dak.; and S. J. Res. 38, consenting to an interstate compact to conserve oil and gas.

Prior to approval of S. 1529, testimony favoring its enactment was heard from Senator Young, John Rouzie, a cattle rancher from North Dakota, and Jackson E. Price, Chief, Branch of Lands, National Park Service.

TV RECEIVERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The committee held an executive informal conference with radio and television manufacturers to discuss the feasibility and advisability of manufacturing all-channel television receivers.

SHIP CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: On Friday, April 22, the Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries concluded its hearings to discuss an integrated program for speeding construction of passenger and cargo vessels, for which funds were provided by the last Congress. Witnesses were: L. R. Sanford, president, Shipbuilders Council of America; Gordon Duke, Big Tankers Co.; A. J. Anderson, representing the

Dillon-Eastman Co.; J. W. Lewis, Oleum Transport Corp.; Rear Adm. Neil K. Dietrich, deputy commander, MSTS; Louis Rothschild, Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation; Clarence G. Morse, Maritime Administrator; and Francis Goertner, counsel, National Bulk Carriers.

Hearings adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported S. J. Res. 8, amending the Constitution to authorize governors to fill temporary vacancies in the Congress caused by disaster (amended), S. 1271 and S. 1272, private bills, and an original resolution (S. Res. 94) authorizing expenditure of $50,000 by Committee on the Judiciary (for Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights) from May 1, 1955, through January 31, 1956.

The committee agreed to request that H. R. 3885, authorizing the waiving of the requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts, be discharged from its further consideration, and that the bill be re-referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

The committee indefinitely postponed further action on 19 private claims bills (S. 69, S. 81, S. 398, H. R. 869, H. R. 996, H. R. 1101, H. R. 1171, H. R. 1719, H. R. 1886, H. R. 1921, H. R. 1941, H. R. 1965, H. R. 2486, H. R. 2707, H. R. 2936, H. R. 3031, H. R. 3361, H. R. 3512, H. R. 4320).

ADMINISTRATION OF REFUGEE ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, April 22, Subcommittee on Refugees and Escapees continued its hearings with regard to charges made by Secretary of State Dulles and Edward J. Corsi, formerly of the Office of Refugee and Migration Problems, State Department, concerning the administration of the Refugee Act of 1953, with further testimony briefly from Mr. Corsi. Gerald L. K. Smith, director, Christian Nationalist Crusade, also made a statement to the subcommittee. Hearings recessed subject to call of the Chair.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, April 22, committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported S. Con. Res. 18, National Mental Health Week observance, S. Con. Res. 23, National Hospital Week observance, and sundry nominations in the Public Health Service.

The committee appointed a subcommittee (Senators Lehman, chairman, Douglas, McNamara, Smith of New Jersey, and Allott) to give further consideration to S. 1735, to provide for the conferring of an award to be known as the Medal for Distinguished Civilian Achievement.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, April 22, the Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on several bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, hearing testimony from the following witnesses: David J. McDonald, president, United Steelworkers of America, CIO, accompanied by Arthur Goldberg, general counsel, CIO; William Pollock, executive vice president, accompanied by Solomon Barkin, research director, both of Textile Workers of America, CIO, and also accompanied by Mrs. Margaret Shepherd, Clover, S. C., and Mrs. Alice Waters, Gastonia, N. C.; Marx Lewis, general secretary-treasurer, United Hatters, Cap, and Millinery Workers Union, AFL; Abraham Weiss, research director, Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers of America, AFL; and Leon B. Schachter, Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, AFL. Hearings continue tomorrow.

WATER AND AIR POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors continued its hearings on S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act, and S. 928, to amend the Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the control of air pollution. Testimony was heard from the following witnesses: Hudson Beiry, Ohio Valley Water Sanitation Commission; Dr. James McVay, of Kansas City, Mo., and Dr. J. L. Ludwig, Los Angeles, both of American Medical Association; William Voight, Jr., Izaak Walton League; Charles H. Callison, National Wildlife Federation; V. W. Bacon, California State Water Pollution Control Board; Dr. J. W. R. Norton, North Carolina State health officer; Michael Hudoba, Sports Afield magazine; and Milton P. Adams, water resources commission, State of Michigan.

On Friday, April 22, the subcommittee began hearings on these two bills, with testimony from Roswell B. Perkins, Assistant Secretary of HEW, who read a statement for Secretary Hobby in behalf of S. 890. Mr. Perkins was accompanied by Assistant Surgeon General Mark D. Hollis, Deputy Surgeon General W. Palmer Dearing, both of the PHS, and Sidney Saperstein, General Counsel, HEW. Also testifying was Morrison B. Cunningham, water department of Oklahoma City, who discussed the provisions of S. 890.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT POLICIES

Select Committee on Small Business: On Friday, April 22, the Military Procurement Subcommittee continued its hearings with regard to Defense Department procurement policies and procedures which affect small business firms, with testimony from representatives of the Air Force. Witnesses heard were Assistant Secretary Roger Lewis, Kennard Weddell, Chief of Office

of Small Business, Headquarters, and Maurice Johnson, Executive for Small Business, Headquarters, Air Materiel Command. Mr. Lewis explained the weapons system concept of procurement now being employed by the Air Force, and stated that this system will not adversely affect the amount of dollars going to small business firms. He also pointed out that the Air Force is constantly working for an aggressive subcontracting program. Mr. Weddell testified that in a recent spot-check survey of six Air Force prime contractors, 27 percent of the dollars under those contractors went to small firms as subcontractors. It was also stated that an estimated 5.5 percent of prime contract dollars will go to small businesses from the Air Force in the fiscal year 1955.

These hearings were continued today, with further testimony from Messrs. Weddell and Johnson, who were questioned extensively with regard to Defense Department Directive No. 4200.20, a recently issued directive dealing with subcontracting. The witnesses assured the subcommittee that the Air Force is already taking steps to insure an effective implementation of this directive.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H. R. 5817–5828; 7 private bills, H. R. 5829–5835; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 287 and 288, and H. Con. Res. 118, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 1602, authorizes the conveyance of certain land by the State of Arizona and the town of Tempe, Ariz., to the Salt River Agricultural Improvement and Power District for use by said district (H. Rept. 436);

H. R. 2679, to protect scenic values along Oak Creek Canyon and certain tributaries thereof within the Coconinos National Forest, Ariz. (H. Rept. 437);

H. R. 3948, to remove an inequity in the Federal Employees' Uniform Allowance Act, amended (H. Rept. 438); and

H. R. 4936, furnishing of subsistence and quarters to employees of Corps of Engineers (H. Rept. 439).

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Civil Aeronautics: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 2225, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Priest, Harris, Williams of Mississippi, Wolverton, and Hinshaw conferees.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:56 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILK MARKETING

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy Dairy Subcommittee, at last Friday's meeting on proposed legislation pertaining to Federal milk marketing agreements, heard Herbert C. Kreisel, agricultural economic statistician, Agricultural Marketing Service. The subcommittee recessed until Tuesday morning, April 26.

DROUGHT LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: The Poage subcommittee met last Friday for discussions of the Farmers Home Administration and drought loans with Administrator R. B. McLeaish.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: The Durham subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 3825, to retrocede to Massachusetts jurisdiction over certain land in the vicinity of Fort Devens, Mass.

Also considered but deferred final action on H. R. 3918, to continue the construction authority of the military departments until 6 months after the termination of the national emergency proclaimed December 16, 1950, or until such date as may be specified by a concurrent resolution of the Congress, or until July 1, 1956, whichever is earliest.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee heard executive testimony last Friday from officials of the Defense Department relative to military real estate and construction projects.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Representatives of State taxation association groups and public expenditure councils testified at last Friday's session on proposed legislation regarding Federal assistance to States for school construction. Witnesses heard were William R. Pouder, Tennessee; N. Bradford Trenham, California; Carter J. Steimel, Louisiana; and Robert M. Armstrong, Nebraska. Recessed until tomorrow (Tuesday) morning, when Oveta Culp Hobby, HEW Secretary, is scheduled to testify.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in open session last Friday for further consideration of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, and heard the following witnesses: Paul B. Neuberger, Bulgarian Claims Committee, New York City; David A. Avram, New York City; and Edmund L. Jones, and Robert H. Reiter, attorneys, Washington, D. C. An executive meeting followed. Recessed until Tuesday morning for further executive study of the subject.

BRANCATO DEPORTATION CASE

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs today met for executive discussion of the deportation case of Frank Brancato, of Cleveland, Ohio. Following the meeting, Chairman Mollohan announced that the subcommittee had voted for a full-scale investigation of procedures of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in the Brancato case, and ordered a general survey of procedures of this kind. He added that Representatives Mitchell and Vanik (both of Ohio) presented the request for congressional committee action; and that recently the Board of Immigration Appeals ordered a new hearing on the deportation procedure involving Brancato, following earlier findings by the Immigration and Naturalization Service that he be deported.

SCHOOL SURPLUS COMMODITIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Fountain Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations continued hearings last Friday in connection with its study of distribution cost of school surplus commodities donated by the Department of Agriculture to schools and institutions in Midwestern States. Testifying further were James W. Dunbar, president of Dunbar & Co., Springfield, Ill.; and Halbert A. Schussele, certified public accountant, Turnbull & Co., Springfield, Ill. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MANGANESE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining today considered H. R. 3126, and other pending bills, relating to extension of the domestic manganese program. Witnesses heard were Norwood Melchoir, Chief of the Minerals Division, Bureau of Mines, accompanied by Gilbert DeHuff, commodity specialist of the Division; Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary of the Interior (Mineral Resources); John G. Liebert, special assistant to Mr. Wormser; and the following officials of the Office of Defense Mobilization—William S. Floyd, Assistant Director; Dr. John Morgan, consultant; Tom Curtis, of the Ferro-Alloys Division; and James Durkin, of the Legal Department. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon (tentatively).

ALASKAN LEGISLATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien (New York) Subcommittee on Territories today ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5462, amended, to authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act. Speaking on the proposal were W. C. Arnold, managing director, Alaska Salmon Industry, Seattle, Wash.; and George S. Rohrlich, Chief, Division of Actuarial and Financial Services, Department of Labor. At Friday's session on the same topic, testimony was received from Rocco Siciliano, Assistant Secretary of Labor; Fred K. Hoehler, of the AFL's unemployment division; and three Interior Department officials, as follows—A. M. Edwards, Associate Solicitor; Kirkley Coulter, Assistant Director, Office of Territories; and George Milner, Assistant Chief, Alaska Division (Office of Territories). The same departmental officials also spoke on the following measures, which were ordered reported to the full committee: H. R. 245, amended, to broaden the scope of the provisions of law relating to the location and construction of roads and trails in Alaska; H. R. 603, amended, to remove certain conditions relating to the law granting additional public lands for the support and maintenance of the University of Alaska; and H. R. 901, authorizing private land sale in Anchorage, Alaska. The subcommittee passed over H. R. 250, to permit mining within the Katmai National Monument area, in Alaska, under Federal regulation.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Friday, the Aspinall subcommittee further interrogated departmental witnesses regarding their testimony on proposed legislation pertaining to the upper Colorado River storage and participating projects. Those questioned were Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, Department of Interior; E. O. Larson, regional director, and J. Neil Murdock, regional geologist, Bureau of Reclamation office, Salt Lake City, Utah; and Kenneth B. Kenner, chief engineer, Bureau of Reclamation office in Denver, Colo. Adjourned until Tuesday afternoon.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675 and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act. Opposition to enactment of H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from Federal Power Commission regulation, was furnished by the following witnesses—Joseph Childs and Don Montgomery, representing the CIO; Edward D. Hollander,

national director, ADA; and Thomas C. Buchanan, attorney, Beaver, Pa., and former Federal Power Commissioner. Robert E. Lee Hall, general counsel, National Coal Association, opposed the same proposal at last Friday's session. Members of Congress who also testified at last Friday's meeting were Representatives Bennett of Florida, Metcalf, and Alger. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning, when city and other municipal officials are scheduled to testify.

IMMIGRATION

Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered favorably reported to the full committee 18 private immigration bills of the House; and H. Con. Res. 110, favoring the granting of status of permanent residence to certain aliens. Also reported adversely on 22 private immigration bills of the House.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: The Davis subcommittee heard testimony today on H. R. 192, to remove the requirement, under the Flood Control Act of 1946, for the Salem Church Reservoir on the Rappahannock River, Va., that the power pool shall be maintained at an elevation not to exceed 220 feet. Testifying on the bill were Representative Smith of Virginia (its author); Col. William E. Whipple, Corps of Engineers (Army); and 21 interested citizens of the area involved, from Culpepper, Warrenton, and Fredericksburg, Va.

Also discussed a committee resolution relating to the Merced River, Calif., and heard Representative Sisk, a representative of the Corps of Engineers, and Kenneth McSwain, chief engineer, the Merced River district, California.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Chairman of the President's Committee on a National Highway Program, returned last Friday for committee interrogation concerning his earlier testimony when he endorsed the provisions of H. R. 4260, the administration's program of Federal-aid highway construction. Recessed on the same subject until Tuesday morning when representatives of the National Association of County Officials are scheduled to testify.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: A subcommittee heard two witnesses refuse to answer questions today regarding their association or identity with Communist Party activities. Both invoked their constitutional rights under the fifth amendment for such refusal. The witnesses, David Mates and Dr. E. M. Shafarman, are from Detroit, Mich. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

GASOLINE DISTRIBUTION COMPLAINTS

Select Committee on Small Business: Roosevelt Subcommittee No. 5 continued its hearings relative to studying alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by major oil companies against retail gasoline-station operators. Testifying before the group today were James W. Heizer, Roanoke, Va.; Horace Walker, Washington, D. C.; John Costello, Washington, D. C.; L. P. Warrington, Fairfax, Va.; and W. C. Wills, Annandale, Va.

The subcommittee, last Friday, also received similar testimony from Lester Miller, Reading, Pa., accompanied by Representative Rhodes of Pennsylvania; Gordon Griffin, Brownwood, Tex.; Milton Allen, Atlanta, Ga.; Ralph Markey, Fort Wayne, Ind.; John Huemmrich, Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Charles Swarthout, St. Louis, Mo.

Recessed until tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon for discussion of distribution problems with officials of the Federal Trade Commission.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: Departmental witnesses testified today and last Friday as the Hardy subcommittee continued hearings relative to its study of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Officials of the Defense Department, General Accounting Office, Bureau of the Budget, and the Veterans' Administration were heard. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the scheduled witness will be Social Security Commissioner Schottland.

Joint Committee Meetings

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation held an executive organizational meeting, but made no announcements, and recessed subject to call of the Chair.

PRINTING

Joint Committee on Printing: The committee met in executive session for the transaction of routine committee business, including the letting of paper contracts for the next quarter (May, June, and July).

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY-POST OFFICE

Conferees, in executive session, continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 4876, appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and the Tax Court of the U. S., but did not complete their work, and recessed subject to call of the Chair.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Agriculture appropriations bill.

House passed bill amending antitrust laws and debated construction of Atomic Energy Commission office building.

Senate committees approved bills on trade agreements extension and Fryingpan-Arkansas project, Colorado.

Bill to admit Hawaii and Alaska to the Union cleared for House consideration by Rules Committee. Renegotiation Act extension bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 33 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1803 to S. 1835. Pages 5069–5070

Committee Expenditures: S. Res. 94, authorizing expenditure of $50,000 by Committee on the Judiciary (for Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights) from May 1, 1955, through January 31, 1956, was referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 5105

Government Reorganization: Senate passed without amendment S. 1763, extension and final liquidation of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government. This bill would extend the Commission for 30 days, authorize the Commission to submit its final report not later than June 30, 1955, and would also provide that the Chairman of the Commission shall have charge of the final liquidation of the Commission's affairs after June 30, 1955, such liquidation to be completed not more than 90 days after June 30, 1955. Page 5105

Agriculture Appropriations: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 5239, appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal year 1956, after taking the following actions on amendments:

Adopted: All committee amendments, one with an amendment by Senator Stennis to increase by $40,000 funds for research; and

Rejected: By 5 yeas to 76 nays, Williams amendment to reduce by $55 million funds for program of soil-building practices and soil- and water-conserving practices.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Russell, Hayden, Hill, Robertson, Ellender, Young, McCarthy, and Mundt. Pages 5093–5110

Crop Destruction: Senate again passed, with committee amendments, S. 1628, providing relief to farmers and farmworkers suffering crop losses or loss of employment because of damage to crops caused by weather, insects, disease, or other natural causes, having first adopted motion filed yesterday by Senator Williams for reconsideration of vote by which bill had been passed on that date. Pages 5111–5115

Mental Health: Senate adopted without amendment S. Con. Res. 18, National Mental Health Week observance. Page 5116

Land Transfer—Texas: Senate made its unfinished business S. 14, conveyance of certain federally owned property in Austin, Tex., to the State of Texas. Pages 5116–5117

Confirmations: Nominations were confirmed by Senate as follows: 1 judicial, 11 Public Health Service, and numerous Army, Navy, and Marine Corps nominations. Page 5117

Recess: Recessed at 4 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—ARMY

Committee on Appropriations: The subcommittee on Defense Department budget estimates for fiscal 1956 continued its hearings, with testimony today on proposed funds for the Army. Witnesses heard were: Brig. Gen. C. R. Hutchison, Assistant Chief, Budget Division, Office of the Comptroller, who submitted an overall budget presentation; Maj. Gen. Robert N. Young, Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1, who discussed military personnel, Army civilian manpower; and Col. Richard D. Meyer, Chief of Requirements Division, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—HEW

Committee on Appropriations: The Labor-HEW Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5046, appropriations for the Departments of Labor and HEW, and related agencies for fiscal 1956, with testimony today on

HEW provisions of the bill from Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General, PHS, who was accompanied by his associates; Commissioner of Education Samuel Brownell; and representatives of Gallaudet College, Freedmen's Hospital, and Howard University.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from Secretary Hobby.

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 5502, appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice and the Judiciary, and related agencies for fiscal year 1956, with testimony today on State Department provisions of the bill from Secretary Dulles and Deputy Under Secretary for Administration Loy Henderson, who submitted an overall statement in behalf of funds for their department.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: The Real Estate and Military Construction Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of Air Force acquisitions and disposals projects, but made no announcements.

D. C. FAMILY COURT

Committee on the District of Columbia: Hearings were concluded by the Subcommittee on the Judiciary on S. 1289, to establish a family court in and for the District of Columbia, with testimony from the following opponents of the bill: Jean M. Boardman, representing the D. C. Bar Association; Earl H. Davis, chairman, committee on domestic relations, D. C. Bar Association; Herbert P. Leeman, member, law and legislation committee, Federation of Citizens Associations; and James J. Laughlin, D. C. attorney.

TRADE AGREEMENTS EXTENSION

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, by vote of 13 to 2, ordered favorably reported, as amended, H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. The following major amendments were adopted today:

(1) As a substitute for all amendments relating to commodities, an amendment authorizing the President to take such action as he deems necessary to adjust imports of any article, if such article is being imported in such quantities as to threaten the national security; and

(2) An amendment to strengthen the escape-clause provisions of the law.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT, AND MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Amended—S. 300, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project, Colorado (major amendment would reduce repayment provisions from 70 to 60 years due to downward revision in estimated construction costs); S. 266, authorizing transfer of certain federally owned land to the State of Wyoming; S. 265, to amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands so as to increase limitation on desert entries made under such acts to 320 acres; S. 824, to authorize the Secretary of Interior to convey certain lands erroneously conveyed to the U. S.; and S. 1529, to revise the boundaries of the Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, S. Dak.; and

Without amendment—S. 52, to amend the act to protect certain scenic values within Coconino National Forest, Ariz.; S. 53, to enable the State of Arizona and the town of Tempe, Ariz., to convey to the Salt River Agricultural Improvement and Power District a portion of certain property heretofore transferred to such State and town by the U. S.; S. 732, to promote public cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of certain historic properties in the New York City area; S. 748, to prohibit the U. S. from acquiring mineral interests in lands acquired by it except when necessary to serve the purpose for which such lands are acquired; and S. J. Res. 38, extending and renewing for 4 years (until September 1, 1959) the interstate compact to conserve oil and gas.

ALASKAN BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs held and concluded hearings as follows:

On S. 1650, authorizing Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act—with favoring testimony from Delegate Bartlett, Robert C. Goodwin, Director, Bureau of Employment Security, Labor Department, Kirkley Coulter, Deputy Director, Division of Territories, Interior Department, and Fred Hoehler, representing AFL; and testimony in opposition to the bill from W. C. Arnold, representing Alaska Salmon Industry, Inc.; and

On S. 1633, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska—with testimony favoring its enactment from Delegate Bartlett and Kirkley Coulter.

CAA ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Aviation Subcommittee began hearings on S. 308 and S. 1119, omnibus bills to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended. Witnesses heard today were Hardy Maclay and William Burt, representing North American Coach Airlines, who favored amendment C, of March 23, to S. 1119, which amendment would promote greater competition and freedom of entry in air transportation; William B. Harding, chairman, Investment Bankers of America, who favored amendments

regarding appointing a subsidy administrator and facilitating procedures governing merger of airlines; and S. G. Tipton, general counsel, Air Transport Association of America, who testified generally on the bills. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony from Senator Lehman, who urged enactment of his bill S. 662, to amend the FLSA by establishing a $1.25 minimum hourly wage, and for other purposes. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 1580, to increase per diem and subsistence allowance of Federal employees from $9 to $13 per day, and auto allowance from 7 to 10 cents per mile; and S. 1507, authorizing the furnishing of subsistence and quarters without charge to employees of the Corps of Engineers engaged in floating plant operations;

With amendment—S. 1488, to place a time restriction on the payment of money orders (amendment would place restriction of 8 years instead of 6); and

The nomination of 45 postmasters.

The committee agreed to hold hearings sometime during the second week of May on S. 1292, to readjust postal classification on educational and cultural materials.

WATER AND AIR POLLUTION

Committee on Public Works: The Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act, and S. 928, to amend the Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the control of air pollution. Witnesses heard were Nicholas V. Olds, assistant attorney general of Michigan; Harry C. Ballman, Air Pollution Control Association; Harold Jacobs, Dr. Raymond Hess, and Walker Penfield, all of the Manufacturing Chemists Association; Mayor Joseph S. Clark, Jr., of Philadelphia, representing American Municipal Association; Patrick Healy, American Municipal Association; Dr. A. Joel Kaplovsky, Water Pollution Control Commission, Dover, Del.; James H. Allen, Interstate Commission, Delaware River Basin, Philadelphia; Seth G. Hess and William C. Cope, both of Interstate Sanitary Commission, New York; William R. McDougall, County Supervisors Association, Sacramento, Calif.; Smith Griswold, director of air pollution control, Los Angeles; and Alfred H. Fletcher, Conference of State Sanitary Engineers, New Jersey.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS ACT OF 1955

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its hearings on S. 636, to revise the Federal elections laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections, with testimony today from Representative Udall; Frieda B. Hennock, member of the FCC; Richard Salant, vice president, CBS; and Joseph V. Heffernan, financial vice president, NBC.

Hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H. R. 5836–5862; 10 private bills, H. R. 5863–5872; and 5 resolutions, H. J. Res. 289–292, and H. Res. 222, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 440);

H. R. 4778, to provide for the purchase of bonds to cover certain postal employees (H. Rept. 441);

H. R. 4817, relating to payment of money orders (H. Rept. 442);

H. R. 4659, to remove an inequity in the pay of certain postal employees, amended (H. Rept. 443);

H. R. 3486, to make permanent the increase in retired pay to former Lighthouse Service employees (H. Rept. 444);

S. 37, to make permanent the increase in retired pay to former Lighthouse Service employees (H. Rept. 445);

H. R. 4646, to remove the requirement as to verifying under oath certain certificates of vessel inspection (H. Rept. 446);

H. R. 5715, to extend the authority of the Veterans' Administration to continue through June 30, 1956, to make direct loans to veterans, and to authorize $150,000,000 therefor (H. Rept. 447); and

H. Res. 222, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 2107, to provide for additional facilities necessary for the administration and training of units of the Reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States (H. Rept. 448).

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Postal Pay: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1, the postal employees' pay increase and classification adjustment

bill; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Morrison, Davis of Georgia, Rees of Kansas, and Corbett. Page 5119

Official Objectors—Minority: Announcement was made of the appointment of Representative Van Pelt as a minority official objector on private calendar bills, to replace Representative Ayres. Page 5120

AEC Office Building: Concluded the consideration of H. R. 5645, to authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to construct a modern office building in or near the District of Columbia to serve as its principal office, but deferred the vote on its passage to Thursday. Rejected an amendment that sought to bar the erection of the building closer than 30 miles to the District of Columbia. The bill limits the cost of the building to $10 million.

H. Res. 214, the rule making in order the consideration of the bill, was adopted earlier.

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Antitrust Laws: Passed without amendment H. R. 4954, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the United States to recover damages under the antitrust laws and to establish a uniform statute of limitations. The bill fixes the statute of limitations at 4 years and provides that the act shall take effect 6 months after its enactment.

H. Res. 215, the rule under which the legislation was considered, had been adopted earlier.

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Rice: Objection was made to, and action prevented on, a motion to concur in Senate amendments to H. R. 4647, providing emergency rice allotments for 1955.

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Bills Referred: 66 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 5139–5140

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:12 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy committee continued hearings in connection with its study of the various aspects and factors of the dairy situation. Today's witnesses included Gordon K. Zimmerman, of the National Grange; John C. Lynn and Kenneth Hood, of the Farm Bureau Federation; and John Baker, of the National Farmers Union. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 5297, the National Reserve Plan. Attending today's session were Charles E. Wilson, Secretary of Defense, and Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel. Recessed on the proposal until tomorrow morning.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES—INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 2674, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

Also endorsed two resolutions presently pending before the Committee on Rules—H. Res. 203, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to housing; and H. Res. 210, authorizing studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to the Federal Open Market Committee.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed public hearings on proposed legislation to provide Federal assistance to States for school construction. Witnesses testifying at the meeting were Roger Freeman, executive secretary of the educational committee, Intergovernmental Relations Commission; Roswell B. Perkins, Assistant Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; Samuel M. Brownell, U. S. Commissioner of Education; and John M. Mitchell, attorney, of New York City, who discussed the subject of financing such construction by municipal governments.

Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

VIETNAM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Special Subcommittee on the Far East and Pacific met in executive session today with Gen. J. Lawton Collins, U. S. special representative to Vietnam.

COMMUNIST AGGRESSION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Heard executive testimony from authors of identical resolutions which request the Secretary of State to take action to carry out certain recommendations of the Select Committee on Communist Aggression, contained in its report made at the close of the 83d Congress. Members of Congress, speaking on their respective resolutions, were Representative Dodd (H. Res. 183), Representative Madden (H. Res. 184), and Representative Bentley (H. Res. 185). The other pending resolutions are H. Res. 186, 187, and 188. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

RIO GRANDE—NATO CONFERENCE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2984, authorizing E. B. Reyna, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to construct, maintain, and

operate a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at or near Los Ebanos, Tex.;

H. R. 4573, authorizing Gus A. Guerra, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Rio Grande, at or near Rio Grande City, Tex.; and

H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Conference.

SUBSISTENCE-TRAVEL EXPENSES

Committee on Government Operations: A subcommittee (Representative Dawson of Illinois, chairman) completed a hearing on H. R. 4918, to increase maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses from $9 to $13. Also considered H. R. 4169 and 3950, similar bills authorizing a maximum increase to $15. Testimony in favor of the proposed increases, along with suggested amendments, were received from the following witnesses—Donald R. Belcher, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget; Philip Young, Chairman of the Civil Service Commission; Ralph S. Roberts, Administrative Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; and officials of the General Accounting Office, Departments of Justice, Air Force, and the Interior. Representatives of employees organizations, who also testified, were Luther Steward, NFFE; Thomas G. Walter, Government Employees Council, AFL; James Campbell, AFGE; Gerald Fitzgerald, Government and Civic Employees Section, CIO; and Russell Stephens, AFL technical employees.

AIR COMMAND TRANSFER

Committee on Government Operations: The Holifield Subcommittee on Military Operations heard testimony today from Assistant Secretary of Air for Research and Development Trevor Gardner relative to the proposed transfer of the Air Research and Development Command from Baltimore, Md., to Dayton, Ohio. Appearing at the hearings and participating in the discussions were members of the Maryland congressional delegation—Representatives Garmatz, Fallon, Friedel, and Devereux, and Senators Beall and Butler. Members of the Ohio delegation were Representatives Schenck and Jenkins, and Senator Bender. A representative of the General Services Administration also answered subcommittee questions. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

RECLAMATION PARTNERSHIP—TERRITORIES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills to the House—

H. R. 104, amended, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects;

H. R. 245, amended, to broaden the scope of the provisions of law relating to the location and construction of roads and trails in Alaska;

H. R. 603, amended, to remove certain conditions relating to the law granting additional public lands for the support and maintenance of the University of Alaska;

H. R. 899, authorizing private land sale in Alaska;

H. R. 5166, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska; and

H. R. 5300, to authorize the establishment of the City of Refuge National Historical Park, in the Territory of Hawaii.

Recommitted to the Subcommittee on Territories H. R. 901, a private land sale bill in Alaska.

MANGANESE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Mining held further hearings on H. R. 3126, and other pending bills, relating to extension of the domestic manganese program. Witnesses heard were J. C. Adkerson, president, American Manganese Producers Association, Washington, D. C.; Orville Sellers, Westmoreland Manganese Corp., Batesville, Ark.; W. L. Long, vice president and general counsel, Haile Mines, Inc., Warrenton, N. C.; Charles W. Massie, mining engineer, Virginia State Department of Conservation and Development; A. L. Stovall, Phoenix, Ariz.; E. V. Mendenhall, Socorro, N. Mex., representing the Manganese Corp. of Arizona; and Clay Sanford, representing the Southern Mining Co., Bluefield Mining Corp., Colonial Mining Co., and American Manganese Co., all of Virginia.

WASHITA RIVER BASIN, OKLA.

Committee on Insular and Interior Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee held a hearing on H. R. 310, authorizing the construction of the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma. Witnesses heard today on the proposal were Representative Wickersham, author of the bill; N. B. Bennett, Jr., Chief of Project Development, Bureau of Reclamation; Robert Jennings, regional director, Amarillo, Tex., Bureau of Reclamation; Albert Connel, chairman, Washington Valley Improvement Association, Anadarko, Okla.; Ira C. Husky, representing Gov. Raymond Gary, of Oklahoma; and officials and representatives of farm groups, commerce associations, and industrial organizations.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Testimony opposing H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from Federal Power Commission regulation, was received today from the following witnesses—Mayor Joseph S. Clark, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa.; Mayor Stephen A. Zona, Parma,

Ohio; Mayor Andrew Broaddus, Louisville, Ky.; Mayor John Coyne, Brooklyn, Ohio; Mayor Frank P. Zeidler, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mayor Leo Berg, Akron, Ohio; James H. Lee, assistant corporation counsel, Detroit, Mich.; Harry G. Slater, first assistant city attorney, Milwaukee, Wis.; Gerald J. Weber, city solicitor, Erie, Pa.; Dale H. Fillmore, corporation counsel, Dearborn, Mich.; John R. Cook, Jr., city attorney, Lexington, Ky.; Benson Trimble, special counsel, Nashville, Tenn.; Frank J. Battisti, assistant director of law, Youngstown, Ohio; John L. Wallace, city attorney, Lewisburg, Tenn.; and Miles Lord, attorney general, St. Paul, Minn. A statement for the record was filed on behalf of Gov. Robert Meyner, Jr., of New Jersey. Hearings, with the same type witnesses, will be resumed tomorrow morning.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 resumed public hearings on pending wiretapping bills (H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5096). Today's witnesses were Andrew Biemiller, legislative representative, AFL, and Irving Ferman, director, American Civil Liberties Union. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Heard county officials testify today in support of H. R. 4260, the administration's program of Federal-aid highway construction. Witnesses heard were Keith L. Seegmiller, executive secretary, National Association of County Officials, and William C. MacDougall, representing the County Supervisors Association of California. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

ALASKA-HAWAII STATEHOOD

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule providing for 7 hours of general debate on H. R. 2535, to admit Alaska and Hawaii into the Union.

RESERVE COMPONENTS—PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 2107, to remove the $250 million limit on funds authorized for additional facilities necessary for the administration and training of units of Reserve components of U. S. Armed Forces. Representative Brooks of Louisiana spoke on the proposal.

Also considered a rule for H. R. 12, the farm commodity price support bill. Representatives Cooley and Hope urged favorable consideration of the legislation. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

VETERANS' LOANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5715, to extend the authority of the Veterans' Administration to continue through June 30, 1956, to make direct loans to veterans, and to authorize $150 million therefor.

Also heard officials of the Veterans' Administration on the status of the loan guaranty program, etc., and proposed VA curtailment of issuance of commitments in certain "overbuilt" areas. Those testifying were Ralph H. Stone, Deputy Administrator for Veterans' Benefits, and Thomas J. Sweeney, loan guaranty officer.

RENEGOTIATION ACT

Ways and Means Committee: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 to December 31, 1956. As reported, the bill was amended to make certain that the limitations imposed under the Vinson-Trammell Act shall not be applicable in the case of statutory exemptions provided section 106 of the Renegotiation Act (e. g., standard commercial articles, etc.).

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors Benefits: The Hardy committee continued hearings today relative to its study of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Testifying before the group were Charles I. Shottland, Social Security Administrator, who was accompanied by Alvin David, an assistant administrator; and Robert J. Myers, Chief Actuary. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the first scheduled witnesses will be the personnel chiefs of the four armed services.

AUTOMOBILE ACCESSORIES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Roosevelt Subcommittee on Distribution today heard discussion of facts developed by Federal Trade Commission's investigation of rubber, oil, tires, batteries, and accessories. Testimony was received from Joseph E. Sheehy, Director of the Bureau of Litigation, FTC; and George J. Burger, National Federation of Independent Business. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

MILITARY ATOMIC MATTERS WITH NATO

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation met in executive session with Government officials for the consideration of a proposed agreement on military atomic matters with North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Participating in today's meeting were H. Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs; Dr. W. F. Libby, acting Chairman of the AEC; and Livingston T. Merchant, Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs.

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HIGHLIGHTS

House passed bills on Reserve training facilities and AEC office building.

Senate Committees on Rules, D. C., and Interstate and Foreign Commerce approved miscellaneous bills and nominations.

Reserve forces plan approved by House committee. Farm price-support bill cleared for debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 28, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on proposed fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Defense, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

On salaries and expenses, Office of Public Information, Defense Department, with testimony from Robert Tripp Ross, Assistant Secretary (Legislative and Public Affairs);

On reserve tools and facilities, Defense Department, with testimony from T. P. Pike, Assistant Secretary (Supply and Logistics);

On salaries and expenses, Court of Military Appeals, Defense Department, with testimony from G. W. Latimer, associate judge, Court of Military Appeals; and

On maintenance and operations for the Army, with testimony from Lt. Gen. W. B. Palmer, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, and Maj. Gen. R. W. Colglazier, Jr., Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—HEW

Committee on Appropriations: The Labor-HEW Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5046, appropriations for the Departments of Labor and HEW and related agencies for fiscal 1956, with further testimony today on HEW provisions of the bill as follows:

On funds for the National Institutes of Health—testimony from Director William H. Sebrell, Jr., and Associate Directors James A. Shannon and C. J. Van Slyke, who were accompanied by the directors of sundry institutes;

On funds for the Office of the Secretary—testimony from Assistant Secretary Bradshaw Mintener;

On funds for St. Elizabeths Hospital—testimony from Superintendent Winfred Overholser; and

On funds for the Communicable Disease Center, Atlanta, Ga.—testimony from Theodore J. Bauer, Medical Director.

Hearings continue Friday, April 29.

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5502, appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice and the Judiciary, and related agencies, with further testimony on State Department provisions of the bill, as follows:

On funds for Educational Exchange—testimony from Vice President Nixon, Senators Smith of New Jersey and Fulbright, and Russell L. Riley, Director, International Educational Exchange, and Robinson McIlwaine, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, State Department;

General statement on departmental organization from Deputy Undersecretary for Administration Loy Henderson;

Summerization of budget requests from Budget Officer Edward B. Wilber;

On funds for economic offices, with testimony from Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs Samuel C. Waugh; and

On funds for trade commissions and economic reporting, with testimony from Loy W. Henderson, Marshall M. Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Affairs, and Thomas S. Estes, Comptroller for Operations, State Department.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee ordered favorably reported:

With amendments—S. 669, providing for an elected Mayor, City Council, School Board, and nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives for the D. C.; S. 391, providing for bonding of certain officers and employees of the D. C. government and for payment of premiums on such bonds by the D. C.; S. 727, to adjust salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals

and D. C. municipal court; and S. 184, District of Columbia Public Utilities Regulation Act of 1955; and

The nomination of John A. Remon, to be a member of the D. C. Redevelopment Land Agency.

Prior to approval of Mr. Remon's nomination, hearings were held thereon, with favoring testimony from Yates Cook, member of Federal City Council, and Richard R. Atkinson, member of D. C. Redevelopment Land Agency. The nominee appeared in his own behalf.

Also, the committee authorized the chairman to write a letter to Robert V. Murray, Chief of Metropolitan Police, commending him on reduction in the D. C. crime rate for the year 1954, during which period the crime rate increased in other sections of the country.

GREAT LAKES FISHERIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries between U. S. and Canada (Exec. B, 84th Cong., 1st sess.) held and concluded hearings on this convention, with supporting testimony from Senator Potter; Robert Murphy, Deputy Undersecretary of State; Ernest F. Swift, Assistant Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior Department; N. E. Copeland, Ohio Department of Natural Resources; Nicholas V. Olds, assistant attorney general of Michigan; and F. A. Westerman, chief, fish division, Michigan Department of Conservation. Testimony opposing the convention was heard from Dr. Thomas H. Langlois, Ohio State University. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Amended—S. 741, to extend the marine war risk insurance provisions of the Merchant Marine Act (amendment would provide a 5-year extension from September 7, 1955); and S. 743, authorizing biennial inspection of the hulls and boilers of cargo vessels;

Without amendment—H. R. 1816, declaring certain tidewaters in Fort Point Channel in the city of Boston to be nonnavigable; and S. Res. 35, to provide for a study of merchant marine training and education in the U. S.; and

The nomination of William R. Connole, of Connecticut, to be a member of the FPC, and 75 routine nominations in the Coast Guard.

Prior to approval of the Connole nomination open hearings were held thereon, with favoring testimony from Senator Purtell and Representative Dodd. The nominee appeared in his own behalf.

CAA AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing its hearings on S. 308 and S. 1119, omnibus bills to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended, Aviation Subcommittee heard testimony on the bills generally from Ross Rizley, Chairman, CAB, Abe McGregor Goff, Solicitor, Post Office Department, and Daggett Howard, Office of General Counsel, Department of Air Force. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—TREATIES

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments began hearings on S. J. Res. 1, proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the legal effect of certain treaties and other international agreements, with testimony favoring its enactment from Senator Bricker. Testifying in opposition to the proposal was John V. Duncan, chairman, committee on international law, New York City Bar Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony today from Thomas Moore, Winston-Salem, N. C., representing the NAM; D. W. Markham, Air Transport Association of America; Peter Beardsley, American Trucking Association, Inc.; A. Julien Brylawski, representing Motion Picture Theatre Owners of Washington, D. C., and Theatre Owners of America; Alvin A. Voges, American Veneer Package Association, Inc., Orlando; John H. Todd, National Cotton Compress & Cotton Warehouse Association, Memphis, accompanied by W. E. Jesup, Traders Compress Co., Fort Worth.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

LEASE-PURCHASE PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Buildings and Grounds, in executive session, approved lease-purchase projects at Denver, Colo., Hudson, Mass., Two Harbors, Minn., Garland, Tex., and Grand Prairie, Tex.

Following their executive session the subcommittee held hearings on S. 1290, to provide for the construction of certain Government buildings in the D. C., with testimony from J. H. Macomber, Assistant General Counsel, GSA, and William Zeckendorf, of New York City.

MISCELLANEOUS RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

S. Con. Res. 16, to establish a joint committee to study aspects of the common system of air navigation in the U. S. ($125,000); S. Con. Res. 24, relative to placing temporarily in the Capitol rotunda a statue of the late Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana; S. J. Res. 18,

reappointment of Dr. Jerome Hunsaker as Citizen Regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; S. Res. 33, investigation of the administration of the Civil Service Commission ($75,000); S. Res. 92, authorizing funds for examination and review of the administration of the Patent Office and statutes relating to patents, trademarks, and copyrights ($50,000); and S. Res. 94, authorizing expenditure of $50,000 by Committee on the Judiciary (for Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights).

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S ANTITRUST REPORT

Select Committee on Small Business: Committee began hearings on the report of the Attorney General's Committee To Study the Antitrust Laws, hearing testimony from witnesses, as follows: Assistant Attorney General in Charge of Antitrust Division Stanley N. Barnes, who served as cochairman of the Attorney General's Committee and who presented a summary of the report, indicating areas in which his Division's policies might be affected by it; and Prof. Walter Adams, Michigan State University, and Prof. Louis B. Schwartz, University of Pennsylvania Law School, both of whom served on the Attorney General's Committee and both of whom indicated substantial areas of disagreement with the findings and recommendations of the majority. Hearings continue tomorrow when representatives of various trade organizations will be heard.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 34 public bills, H. R. 5873–5906; 16 private bills, H. R. 5907–5922; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 293 and H. Res. 223, were introduced.

Pages 5158, 5179–5180

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 223, providing for the consideration of, 7 hours of debate on, and the limiting of amendments to, H. R. 2535, to admit Alaska and Hawaii into the Union on an equal footing with the original States (H. Rept. 449); and

H. R. 4904, extension of the Renegotiation Act of 1951, amended (H. Rept. 450). Pages 5178–5179

Rice: Concurred in Senate amendments to H. R. 4647, providing emergency rice allotments for 1955, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Pages 5147–5149

President's Message—Low-Income Farmers: Received a message from the President transmitting a report of the Secretary of Agriculture entitled "Development of Agriculture's Human Resources, a Report on Problems of Low-Income Farmers," and recommending legislation to improve the status of low-income farm families. The message was referred to the Committee on Agriculture and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 149). Page 5149

Further Program: It was announced that action on H. R. 12, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949 with respect to price supports for basic agricultural commodities, would not be sought this week. The calling of a recess was made in order at any time on Wednesday next for the purpose of receiving His Excellency Field Marshall P. Pibulsonggram, Prime Minister of Thailand. Page 5158

AEC Office Building: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 5645, to authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to construct a modern office building in or near the District of Columbia to serve as its principal office. This passage was subsequently vacated and S. 1722, a similar bill, was passed in lieu, thus clearing the legislation for Presidential action. Page 5150

Reserve Component Facilities: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 2107, to amend the National Defense Facilities Act of 1950 to provide for additional facilities necessary for the administration and training of units of the Reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States, after adopting a committee substitute amendment. The amendment extends for 3 years the authority of the Secretary of Defense to establish armories and other facilities and authorizes an additional appropriation of $250 million. An amendment that sought to prevent certain air training operations from interfering with commercial airline traffic was rejected. A recommittal motion designed to incorporate the same amendment into the bill was also rejected.

H. Res. 222, the rule providing for the consideration of the bill, was adopted previously. Pages 5158–5166

Bills Referred: Three Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 5178

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:13 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPLE PRICES—LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on Agriculture: The McMillan subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5188, to prohibit the publication by the Government of any prediction with respect to apple prices; and H. R. 1762, providing for the conveyance of certain lands by the United States to the city of Woodward, Okla.

Testifying on behalf of H. R. 5188 were Representative Harrison, of Virginia, author of the bill; Representative Abbott, author of H. R. 5183 (an identical bill); Oris V. Wells, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service; and officials and representatives of apple organizations and farm bureau groups. Testifying on H. R. 1762 was Dr. H. Moseman, Director, Crops Research Services, Department of Agriculture.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Committee on Agriculture: Dr. Johnson, professor of economics, University of Connecticut, testified before the Abernethy subcommittee today in connection with its study of the various aspects and factors of the dairy situation.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Voted (31 to 5) to report to the House, with amendments, H. R. 5297, the National Reserve Forces Plan of 1955.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Banking and Currency: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 2674, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System. Will continue on same proposal tomorrow morning.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Further testimony and explanation of legislative proposals to provide Federal assistance to States for school construction was presented today by Roswell B. Perkins, Assistant Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; and Samuel M. Brownell, U. S. Commissioner of Education. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

FOREIGN SERVICE—STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 5841, amended to repeal the fee stamp requirement in the Foreign Service and amend section 1728 of the Revised Statutes, as amended;

H. R. 5842, to repeal a service charge of 10 cents per sheet of 100 words, for making out and authenticating copies of records in the Department of State;

H. R. 5844, to increase the fee for executing an application for a passport from $1 to $3; and

H. R. 5860, amended, to authorize certain officers and employees of the Department of State and the Foreign Service to carry firearms. Testifying on the firearms bill were Daniel H. Clare, Jr., Office of Security, and Ben H. Brown, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary for Congressional Relations, Department of State.

MANGANESE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Mines and Mining continued its consideration of H. R. 3126, relating to extension of the domestic manganese program. Other similar bills pending before the subcommittee are H. R. 3315, 3380, 4230, 4374, and 5221.

Testimony in support of the proposal was presented today by Representative Poff, of Virginia; Marshall McGee, Miller-McGee Corp., Batesville, Ark.; John Husted, resident geologist, Virginia Iron, Coal & Coke Co., Roanoke, Va.; Dave Myers, Lynchburg, Va., owner of the Piedmont Manganese Mining Co.; James E. Bacon, Jr., D. B. D. Mining Corp., Lynchburg, Va.; Harry Holloway, Batesville, Ark., Arkansas Mining & Exploration Corp.; and Allen A. Zoll, Minera Fernandez, S. A., of Mexico.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Further opposition was presented today to H. R. 4560, exempting independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from Federal Power Commission regulation. Witnesses heard were Vernon W. Thomson, attorney general of Wisconsin; Mayor Quigg Newton, of Denver, Colo.; Mayor Joseph E. Dillon, of St. Paul, Minn.; Mayor J. Moloney, of Covington, Ky.; Joseph Grossman, assistant corporation counsel, Chicago, Ill.; Ralph S. Locher, director of law, Cleveland, Ohio; and Lester Hooker, Virginia State Corporation Commission.

Statements for the record were submitted by W. D. Johnson, vice president, Order of Railway Conductors and Brakemen; Leonard Simons, Wayne County utilities counsel, Detroit, Mich.; and A. T. Lundberg, Arlington (Va.) County manager. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 continued its public hearings on pending wiretapping bills (H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5096). Testimony was received today from William J. Keating, former general counsel, and John M. O'Mara, director, New York City Anti-Crime Committee, Inc. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

CANAL ZONE—COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4359, to authorize the city of Richmond, Calif., to dispose of certain personal property;

H. R. 4650, to authorize regulation of the sale and use of fireworks in the Canal Zone;

H. R. 5146, to authorize the President to promote Paul A. Smith, a commissioned officer of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, on the retired list; and

H. R. 5398, to increase the efficiency of the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Representatives of trucking groups today endorsed the objectives of H. R. 4260,

the administration's program of Federal-aid highway construction. Those testifying were A. B. Gorman, president, Private Truck Council of America, Inc.; and E. J. Lucas, Truck Trailer Manufacturers' Association, Louisville, Ky. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 4 hours of general debate on H. R. 12, the farm commodity price support bill (restoring 90-percent parity). Speaking in favor of the legislation were Representatives Cooley, Anfuso, and August H. Andresen. Opposed to granting a rule were Representatives Harrison of Nebraska, King of Pennsylvania, and Dixon.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy select committee heard personnel officers of the armed services during today's consideration of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Witnesses testifying were Maj. Gen. Donald P. Booth, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1 (Army); Vice Adm. James L. Holloway, Chief of Naval Personnel; Maj. Gen. Morris J. Lee, Director of Personnel Planning (Air Force); Brig. Gen. Nels H. Nelson, Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1 (USMC); and representatives of the Public Health Service and the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 10 miscellaneous bills and took up trade agreements extension bill.

House passed bill extending Renegotiation Act for 2 years.

Senate Banking Committee reported bills on cumulative voting and housing.

Miscellaneous bills approved by House D. C. Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5194–5214

Bills Introduced: 21 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1836 to S. 1856; and S. Res. 95.

Pages 5201, 5220

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, with amendments (S. Rept. 232);

S. 300, authorizing the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project, Colorado, with amendments (S. Rept. 233);

S. Con. Res. 16, to establish a joint committee to study aspects of the common system of air navigation in the U. S. ($125,000), with additional amendments (S. Rept. 234);

S. Con. Res. 24, relative to placing temporarily in the Capitol rotunda a statue of the late Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana, with an amendment (S. Rept. 235);

S. Res. 94, authorizing expenditure of $50,000 by Committee on the Judiciary (for the Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights) (S. Rept. 236);

S. J. Res. 18, reappointment of Dr. Jerome Hunsaker as citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution (S. Rept. 237);

S. Res. 33, authorizing expenditure of $75,000 for investigation of administration of the Civil Service Commission, with additional amendments (S. Rept. 238);

S. Res. 92, authorizing expenditure of $50,000 for examination and review of the administration of the Patent Office and statutes relating to patents, trademarks, and copyrights, with an amendment (S. Rept. 239);

S. 256, to eliminate cumulative voting of shares of stock in the election of directors of national banking associations unless provided for in articles of association (S. Rept. 240);

S. 1645, to provide for extension of mortgage purchase contracts of FNMA for 6 months, with amendments (S. Rept. 241);

S. 755, authorizing conveyance of certain war-housing projects to the cities of Warwick and Hampton, Va., with amendments (S. Rept. 242);

S. 654, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to extend authority of VA Administrator to make direct loans, and to make additional type of direct loans thereunder, with amendments (S. Rept. 243);

S. 741, to extend the marine war risk insurance provisions of the Merchant Marine Act, with amendments (S. Rept. 244);

S. 743, authorizing biennial inspection of the hulls and boilers of cargo vessels, with an amendment (S. Rept. 245);

S. 732, to promote public cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of certain historic properties in the New York City area (S. Rept. 246);

S. 748, to prohibit U. S. from acquiring mineral interests in lands acquired by it except when necessary to serve the purpose for which such lands are acquired (S. Rept. 247);

S. 1529, to revise the boundaries of the Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, S. Dak., with amendments (S. Rept. 248);

S. 52, to amend the act to protect certain scenic values within Coconino National Forest, Ariz. (S. Rept. 249);

S. 53, to enable the State of Arizona and the town of Tempe, Ariz., to convey to the Salt River Agricultural Improvement and Power District a portion of certain property heretofore transferred to such State and town by U. S. (S. Rept. 250);

S. 265, to amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands so as to increase limitation on desert entries made under such acts to 320 acres, with amendments (S. Rept. 251);

S. 1507, authorizing the furnishing of subsistence and quarters without charge to employees of the Corps of Engineers engaged in floating plant operations (S. Rept. 252);

S. 669, providing for D. C. elected Mayor, City Council, School Board, and nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives, with amendments (S. Rept. 253);

S. 727, to adjust salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals and D. C. municipal court, with amendments (S. Rept. 254);

S. 184, District of Columbia Public Utilities Regulation Act of 1955, with amendments (S. Rept. 255);

S. 391, providing for bonding of certain officers and employees of the D. C. government and for payment of premiums on such bonds by the D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 256);

S. Res. 35, to provide for a study of merchant marine training and education in U. S. (S. Rept. 257);

H. R. 1816, declaring certain tidewaters in Fort Point Channel in the city of Boston to be nonnavigable (S. Rept. 258); and

H. R. 2581, to promote national defense by authorizing construction of certain aeronautical research facilities by National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, with amendments (S. Rept. 259). **Pages 5199–5200**

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 5194**

President's Message—Low-Income Farmers: Message was received from the President, recommending enactment of legislation to relieve the problems of low-income farmers—referred to Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. **Page 5194**

Internal Security: It was agreed that the Internal Security Manual (S. Doc. 47 of the 83d Cong.) will be reprinted as S. Doc. 40. **Page 5204**

Land Transfer—Texas: Senate passed S. 14, conveyance of certain federally owned property in Austin, Tex., to the State of Texas, after adopting committee amendments and Bridges amendments of a technical, clarifying nature. **Pages 5214–5215**

D. C. Crime Investigation: An order was adopted providing for the return to Hialmar H. Carper of certain papers in the files of the Committee on District of Columbia, which had been turned over to that committee for its use at the time of its investigation of D. C. crime in 1952. **Page 5204**

Land Transfer—Iowa: Senate passed with committee amendments, and with clarifying amendments by Senator Bridges, S. 148, conveyance of Camp Dodge, Polk County, Iowa, to the State of Iowa. **Page 5215**

Land Transfer—Louisiana: S. 653, conveyance of Jackson Barracks, La., to the State of Louisiana, was passed with committee amendments. **Pages 5215–5216**

Accounts Settlements: Senate passed S. 933, to facilitate the settlement of accounts of deceased members of the uniformed services, after adopting committee amendments thereto. **Pages 5216–5217**

Federal Uniforms: Senate passed without amendment S. 1094, to remove limitation on amount of appropriations to be granted to Federal agencies for uniforms under Federal Employees Uniform Act. **Page 5217**

California Land: Senate cleared for President H. J. Res. 107, to permit Federal release of reversionary rights in certain acreage to Vineland School District, Kern County, Calif., by passing the bill without amendments. **Pages 5217, 5226**

Burley Tobacco: S. J. Res. 60, directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls, was passed without amendment. **Page 5226**

National Hospital Week: S. Con. Res. 23, National Hospital Week observance, was adopted without amendment. **Page 5226**

Private Bills: Senate passed without amendment S. 1271 and S. 1272, private bills. **Pages 5226–5227**

Trade Agreements Extension: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 1, to extend authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. **Page 5227**

Nominations: Three civilian nominations were received, including those of James B. Conant, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Federal Republic of Germany, and Ewan Clague, of Pennsylvania, to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics, along with one Army nomination. **Pages 5242–5243**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:50 p. m.

Committee Meetings

CROP INSURANCE ACT AMENDMENT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee held and concluded hearings on S. 1165, to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act relative to administrative costs, with testimony favoring its enactment from Charles S. Laidlow, Manager, and G. E. Evans, Director of Finance Division, both of Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, USDA; and Hugh F. Hall, American Farm Bureau Federation. Opposing enactment of this bill and of S. 1826, to amend the FCI Act relative to liability of the Corporation, were L. W. Smith, representing Rocky Mountain Farmers Union, Lamar, Colo., and National Farmers Union; John A. Baker and Floyd Higbee, Carlton, Colo., both of the National Farmers Union; Fred Northrup, National Cigar Leaf Tobacco Association; and Randolph Taylor, Burley and Dark Leaf Tobacco Exporters Association.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Defense, with testimony on funds for Hot Springs, Ark., Army-Navy Hospital from Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative and Public Affairs) Robert T. Rose, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health and Medical) Dr. Edward H. Cushing, Under Secretary of the Army Charles C. Finucane, Surgeon General of the Army Maj. Gen. G. E. Armstrong, and Fred McNamara, representing the Bureau of the Budget.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Interior Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments H. R. 5085, appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for fiscal 1956.

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on State Department portions of H. R. 5502, appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice and the Judiciary, and related agencies, with testimony from Deputy Under Secretary for Administration Loy W. Henderson, Controller I. W. Carpenter, Jr., Budget Officer Edward B. Wilber, and numerous other State Department officials, who discussed funds for various items of the bill.

RESERVE FACILITIES AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee held hearings on H. R. 2107, providing additional facilities for the administration and training of Reserve components of the armed services, with testimony from the following witnesses: Franklin G. Floete, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Properties and Installations; Hugh M. Milton II, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Forces; David S. Smith, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Personnel; Comdr. E. M. Greer, Office of Assistant Chief of Naval Operations for Naval Reserve; Col. William R. Shuler, Chief, Construction Division, Office of Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics; Lt. Col. William Blatt, legal adviser, National Guard Bureau, Army; Col. Charles Stevenson, New York National Guard; Col. Jackson V. Rombeau, Office of Deputy Chief of Operations, Air Force; Maj. Gen. Ellard A. Walsh, president, National Guard Association of the U. S.; Maj. Gen. William H. Harrison, adjutant general, Massachusetts National Guard.

Following this hearing the committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported 2,021 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subsequent to its meeting of Tuesday, April 26, the Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction announced approval on that date of the following projects:

Air Force acquisition projects Nos. 273, at Los Angeles, Calif.; 276, Homestead Air Force Base, Fla.; 278, Dayton, Ohio; and 272, Wilmington, Del.; and

Air Force disposal projects Nos. 19, Point Molate bulk storage facility, Richmond, Calif.; 25, Thornbrough Air Force Base, Alaska; and 27, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla.

CUMULATIVE VOTING AND HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—S. 256, to eliminate cumulative voting of shares of stock in the elections of directors of national banking associations unless provided for in articles of association; and

With amendments—S. 654, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 to extend the authority of the VA Administrator to make direct loans, and to authorize the Administrator to make additional type of direct loans thereunder; S. 755, to authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the cities of Warwick and Hampton, Va.; and S. 1645, to provide for extension of mortgage purchase contracts of FNMA for 6 months.

D. C. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACT

Committee on the District of Columbia: Public Health Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1163 and S. 1835, bills to amend the D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act, with testimony as follows: Arthur Larson, Under Secretary of Labor, C. A. Wharton, D. C. Unemployment Compensation Board, and Robert F. Kneipp, Assistant D. C. Corporation Counsel, all of whom favored enactment of S. 1163; Andrew Biemiller, AFL, Francis

O'Connell, CIO Council, and Leonard Tesser, CIO, all of whom favored S. 1835; and C. F. Preller, Washington Central Labor Union, who favored both bills.

Hearings continue Wednesday, May 4.

CAA AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Aviation Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 308 and S. 1119, omnibus bills to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended, with testimony from the following witnesses: Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, who opposed changing the President's authority respecting foreign air carrier certificates and permits; Robert F. Keller, Assistant to the Comptroller General, who favored the appointment of a subsidy administrator of the CAB; Harold F. Hammond, Transportation Association of America, who supported the imposing of economic regulations on contract air carriers; and Hamlin B. Johnston, Aircoach Transport Association, who opposed the bills, alleging that they would destroy independent air carriers.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—TREATIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Constitutional Amendments Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 1, proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the legal effect of certain treaties and other international agreements, with testimony favoring its enactment from J. Raymond Tiffany, National Small Businessman's Association; Eberhard Deutsch, peace and law committee, American Bar Association; and Carl Rix, past president of the ABA. Opposing enactment of this proposal were Dana C. Backus, former chairman of international law committee of the New York City Bar Association, and Dr. Quincy Wright, professor of international law, University of Chicago.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

WORLD COMMUNIST MOVEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee continued its series of hearings on Strategy and Tactics of World Communism with testimony from Brig. Gen. Frank L. Howley, former military governor of Berlin. General Howley stated that during his 4½ years in Berlin as governor he spent a great deal of time negotiating with Soviet officials and that he is convinced there is no possibility of compromise with the Kremlin, the Russian leaders being willing to do anything to serve their own ends. He also stated it to be his opinion that recent disturbances in many areas of the world are directly attributable to the Kremlin's worldwide plan for communism.

Subcommittee will meet tomorrow on S. 681, prevention of sabotage in strategic defense plants during emergencies.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S ANTITRUST REPORT

Select Committee on Small Business: Committee continued its hearings on the report of the Attorney General's Committee To Study the Antitrust Laws, with testimony, as indicated, from the following witnesses: R. H. Rowe, U. S. Wholesale Grocers Association, Watson Rogers, National Food Brokers Association, and Kris Bemis, United Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association (filed statement), all of whom protested recommendations of the report regarding "good faith" defense and the brokerage provisions of the Robinson-Patman Act; and George J. Burger, National Federation of Independent Business, who stated that his association was presently polling its membership to determine reaction to the Attorney General's report, and that the national federation had already taken a strong stand in favor of a more strict interpretation and administration of the antitrust laws. A statement was filed for the record by a representative of the National Council of Farmers Cooperatives.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 9 public bills, H. R. 5923–5931; 4 private bills, H. R. 5932–5935; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 294 and H. Res. 224 and 225, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 224, providing for the consideration of, 4 hours of debate on, and waiving points of order against the consideration of a committee amendment to, H. R. 12, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, with respect to price supports for basic commodities (H. Rept. 451);

H. Con. Res. 109, appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Conference (H. Rept. 452);

H. R. 489, authorizing the conveyance of a portion of Camp Mabry, Tex., to the State of Texas for National Guard purposes, amended (H. Rept. 453);

H. R. 755, authorizing the conveyance of certain property in Iowa to the State of Iowa for National Guard purposes (H. Rept. 454);

H. R. 4294, providing for the interchange of supplies between the Armed Forces (H. Rept. 455);

H. R. 5170, providing for conveyance for National Guard purposes of Jackson Barracks, La., to the State of Louisiana (H. Rept. 456);

H. R. 5297, to provide for the strengthening of the Reserve Forces, amended (H. Rept. 457);

H. R. 5841, to repeal the fee stamp requirement in the Foreign Service and amend section 1728 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (H. Rept. 458);

H. R. 5842, to repeal a service charge of 10 cents per sheet of 100 words for making out and authenticating copies of records in the Department of State (H. Rept. 459);

H. R. 5844, increasing the fee for executing an application for a passport from $1 to $3 (H. Rept. 460);

H. R. 4573, authorizing construction of a bridge across the Rio Grande at or near Rio Grande City, Tex. (H. Rept. 461); and

H. R. 2984, authorizing construction of a bridge across the Rio Grande at or near Los Ebanos, Tex. (H. Rept. 462). Page 5250

Renegotiation Act Extension: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years. Pages 5243–5244

Order of Business: The call of the Private Calendar, in order on Tuesday next, was dispensed with; also dispensed with Calendar Wednesday business, in order on May 4, pursuant to unanimous-consent requests. Page 5244

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:38 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM FOOD COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture: Departmental opposition was presented today to H. R. 2851, to authorize the CCC to process farm food commodities for suitable home use. Earl M. Hughes, Executive Vice President, and other officials of the Commodity Credit Corporation testified against enactment. Members of Congress who have introduced bills on this subject appeared in support of their respective measures. Recessed until tomorrow morning for executive consideration of pending business.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy subcommittee heard Jud Mason, an economist with the National Milk Producers Federation, during today's consideration of various aspects and factors of the dairy situation. Recessed until tomorrow morning to hear Dr. A. C. Dahlberg, of Cornell University.

DOCTORS DRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Began public hearings on H. R. 2886, to extend to July 1, 1957, the authority to require the special registration, classification, and induction of certain medical, dental, and allied specialist groups. Representatives of the American Dental Association, American Veterans Medical Society, and American Optometrists Association, testified at the session. Recessed until tomorrow morning when representatives of the American Medical Association and Government department officials are scheduled to testify.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 2674, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System. Will continue on same proposal Tuesday morning.

D. C. LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 1806, to permit the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Association to consolidate with the Women's Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Association, Inc.;

H. R. 1825, amended, creating a Federal commission to formulate plans for the construction in the District of Columbia of a civic auditorium;

H. R. 2986, amended, to adjust salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals;

H. R. 4909, amended, relative to the consolidation of the National Tax Association, a corporation organized under D. C. laws, with the Tax Institute, Inc., a corporation organized in New York State.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Roswell B. Perkins, Assistant Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, continued his explanation and analysis of the Department's proposed legislation to provide Federal assistance to States for school construction. Recessed on the subject until Tuesday morning, when officials of the National Education Association begin their testimony.

U. S. INFORMATION AGENCY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on the Far East and the Pacific heard testimony, in executive session, from the following representatives of the U. S. Information Agency—Saxton Bradford, Assistant Director, Far East; George M. Hellyer, Deputy Assistant Director, Far East; Clary Thompson, Deputy Assistant Director, Near East, South Asia, and Africa; and Clive L. DuVal, General Counsel.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 2682 to withdraw from exploration, location, and entry mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation, Ariz. Testifying on the proposal were Judge Fred W. Fickett and Stanley Secrist, representing the Tucson (Ariz.) Council of Small Mine Operators Association; H. Tex Lee, Associate Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, who was accompanied by Lewis Sigler, Office of Solicitor, Department of Interior, and Arthur Lazarus, representing various Arizona tribes. A statement for the record was submitted by Senator Goldwater, of Arizona.

The subcommittee also considered H. R. 294, 2681, and 2862, relating to leasing restricted Indian lands for

public, religious, educational, and recreational purposes. Testimony was received on these bills from Representative Wickersham, author of H. R. 294, Howard Payne, general counsel of the Cheyenne Arapahoe Indian Tribes of Oklahoma, and Arthur Lazarus, of Arizona.

Discussed with representatives of the Osage Tribal Council the subject of duplication of tribal payments for various municipal and Federal services. Appearing befor the group were George V. Labadie, Chief Paul Pitts, and W. O. Cooper. Subcommittee recessed until tomorrow morning.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed open hearings on H. R. 4560 and 4675 and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act. Testimony was received today from Representatives Brooks of Louisiana and Yates of Illinois; Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Jr., of New York City; Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr., Baltimore, Md.; George McCandless, attorney general of Tennessee, who read the statement of Gov. Frank G. Clement; James L. Bomar, Jr., Shelbyville, Tenn., representing municipal gas systems and distributing companies; J. Hardy Johnston, representing the city of Memphis (Tenn.) light, gas, and water division; Francis T. Mylott, member of the New York State Public Service Commission; Richard O. Gantz, assistant director of law, Akron, Ohio; Charles A. Sawyer, city attorney, Minneapolis, Minn.; Samuel H. Liberman, city counselor, St. Louis, Mo.; James R. Durfee, chairman, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin; and Henry O'Leary, chief, rates and research department, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin. Statements for the record were submitted on behalf of Gov. LeRoy Collins, of Florida; William J. Kane, city attorney, Flint, Mich.; and William B. Lawless, Jr., corporation counsel, Buffalo, N. Y. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Public hearings on wiretapping bills (H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5096) were continued today by Subcommittee No. 5, with testimony being received from the following—William J. Keating, former general counsel, New York City Anti-Crime Committee, Inc.; Sidney Davis, attorney, Washington, D. C.; Andrew J. Kavanaugh, member of legislative committee, International Association of Chiefs of Police; and Murray A. Gordon, representing the National Lawyers Guild. A statement was filed on behalf of John J. Gunther, ADA legislative representative; and a communication was inserted in the record from the National Association of County and Prosecuting Attorneys. Recessed until next Tuesday morning.

CONGRESSIONAL-STATE LAWS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held a hearing on H. R. 3, to establish rules of interpretation governing questions of effect of acts of Congress on State laws. Witnesses heard on the subject were Representative Smith of Virginia, author of the bill; John C. Lynn, legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; Matt Triggs, assistant legislative director of the same federation; and Guy H. Woodward, vice president, Midcontinent Oil & Gas Association, Tulsa, Okla.

CLASSIFIED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Began executive consideration today of Federal employees' classified pay bill. Recessed on the subject until next Thursday's regular committee meeting.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continued public hearings on H. R. 4260, and related bills, pertaining to Federal-aid highway construction. Speaking in favor of the proposed program today was John Harper, chairman, committee on highways and toll roads, National Oil Jobbers Council. Recessed until next Tuesday morning.

EDUCATION-TRAINING ALLOWANCES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Kee subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 4006, to provide that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for 12 months after they have begun their training. Witnesses heard were Victor H. Wohlford, representing the National Association of State Approval Agencies; Cecil Munson, American Legion; Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, Veterans' Administration; Adin M. Downer, VFW; and John R. Holden, AMVETS.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee held further hearings today in connection with its study of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Witnesses testifying were Miles Kennedy of the American Legion; and Rear Adm. E. W. Grenfell, Chairman, accompanied by Capt. David L. Martineau, U. S. Navy, and other members of the Inter-Service Committee for Coordinating Action on Proposed Uniformed Survivors Benefits Bills. Recessed until Monday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC PREPAREDNESS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Military Applications Subcommittee met in executive session with Secretary of Defense Wilson who testified on the relationship of atomic weapons to our overall military strength. Today's session was a continuation of the extended series of meetings being held by the subcommittee on the general subject of atomic preparedness.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate considered trade agreements extension bill, tentatively adopting all committee amendments.

House passed 13 miscellaneous bills.

Senate committee reported bill on Interior appropriations.

House Committee on Agriculture approved miscellaneous measures.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 18 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1857–S. 1874; S. Con. Res. 30–31.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 266, authorizing transfer of certain federally owned land to the State of Wyoming, with amendments (S. Rept. 260);

H. R. 5085, appropriations for fiscal 1956 for Department of the Interior and related agencies, with amendments (S. Rept. 261); and

S. 1488, to place a time restriction on the payment of money orders, with amendments (S. Rept. 262).

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Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 5267

President's Message: Message was received from President transmitting his recommendations for legislation authorizing U. S. membership in International Finance Corporation with a subscription of $35,168,000 to the $100 million capital stock of the corporation—referred to Committee on Banking and Currency.

Pages 5314, 5320–5321

Trade Agreements: Senate worked on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, adopting all committee amendments en bloc with an agreement that the bill, as so amended, would be considered as original text for the purpose of further amendment, and adopted Byrd amendment of a technical, clarifying nature.

Pages 5287–5288, 5292–5308, 5311–5318

Nomination: One judicial nomination was received.

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Confirmations: Senate confirmed two civilian nominations, including that of William R. Connole, of Connecticut, to be member of Federal Power Commission, along with 75 in the Coast Guard, 45 postmasters, and numerous nominations in the Army and Navy.

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Recess: Recessed at 5:14 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FUNGIBLE GOODS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee held and concluded hearings on H. R. 1831, and related Senate bills, to protect innocent purchasers of converted fungible goods from claims by the CCC. Testimony favoring enactment of this proposed legislation was heard from Robert L. Farrington, General Counsel, Agriculture Department; Howard B. Pickard, office of general counsel, American Farm Bureau Federation; Glenn G. Paxton, general counsel, Millers National Federation, Chicago; Dean K. Webster, chairman, board of directors, American Feed Manufacturers Association, Lawrence, Mass.; E. W. Morrison, Texas Grain & Feed Dealers Association, Denton, Tex.; R. C. Booth, Grain & Feed Dealers National Association, and Western Grain & Feed Association of Iowa; and Francis J. Fitzpatrick, National Grain Trade Council, and Terminal Elevator Grain Merchants Association of U. S., Kansas City, Mo.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the Senate with amendments H. R. 5085, appropriations for fiscal 1956 for Department of Interior and related agencies. As approved, the bill would provide total funds of $327,987,088, an increase of $30,061,542 over the House-passed figure of $297,925,546.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, April 29, subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal 1956 for the Defense Department, with testimony in behalf of funds for maintenance and operations of the Department of the Army from Maj. Gen. Robert A. Schow, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G–2, Brig. Gen. William C. Westmoreland, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1 (Manpower Control), and Maj. Gen. R. W. Colglazier, Jr., Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR-HEW

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, April 29, subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare and related agencies, with testimony in behalf of funds for their departments from the following departmental witnesses, all of whom were accompanied by their associates:

Social Security Administration — Commissioner Charles I. Schottland;

Bureau of Old Age and Survivors Insurance—Director Victor Christgau;

Bureau of Public Assistance—Director Jay Roney;

Children's Bureau—Dr. Martha Eliot, Chief;

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation—Mary E. Switzer, Director;

National Labor Relations Board—Chairman Guy Farmer;

National Mediation Board—Francis A. O'Neill, Jr., Chairman;

National Railroad Adjustment Board—J. A. Anderson, Member;

Interstate Commission on Potomac River Basin—Lawrence Fisher, Acting Director; and

U. S. Soldiers' Home—General Wade H. Haislip, Governor.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on Armed Services: On Friday, April 29, subcommittee held hearings on S. 108, a private bill, hearing favoring testimony from Comdr. Edward White Rawlins, USN (retired), and opposing testimony from Albert Pratt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Personnel and Reserve Forces). Subcommittee made no announcement and recessed subject to call.

NATIONAL BANK BILLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking held and concluded hearings on the following national bank bills: S. 1187, relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks; S. 1188, relating to examination of national banks; S. 1189, to permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans and 9-month construction loans; and S. 1736, relating to the qualifications of directors of national banking associations. Testimony was heard from L. A. Jennings, Deputy Comptroller of the Currency, who favored enactment of all the bills; Gibbs Lyons, president, First Stamford National Bank & Trust Co., Stamford, Conn., and representing American Bankers Association, who favored S. 1187, S. 1188, and S. 1736 with amendments; and John A. Reilly, president, Second National Bank, Washington, D. C., representing American Banking Association, and F. G. Addison, Jr., chairman, law and legislative committee, D. C. Bankers Association, both of whom favored S. 1189 with amendments.

HELLS CANYON PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation began hearings on S. 1333, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Hells Canyon Dam on Snake River between Idaho and Oregon, with testimony favoring its enactment from Senator Morse, and Representatives Pfost, Metcalf, Magnuson, and Green of Oregon.

Also testifying were Elwyn L. White, area engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, Boise, Idaho; Louis R. Puls and J. R. Riter, both of Bureau of Reclamation, Denver; Cecil I. Hoisington, Bureau of Reclamation; Earl Ostrander, controller, Bonneville Power Administration, Portland, Oreg.; and Lynn Crandall, Snake River watermaster for Idaho, and district engineer, U. S. Geological Survey, Idaho Falls. These witnesses' testimony was as to the feasibility of the project, and also in answer to questions of the members of the subcommittee.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ARIZONA INDIAN LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Friday, April 29, Subcommittee on Indian Affairs continued hearings on S. 33, relating to exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation. Witnesses favoring the bill were Representative Udall, and Theodore Hetzel, Indian Rights Association. Testimony opposing the bill was given by Judge Fred W. Fickett and Stanley M. Secrist, both of Tucson, Ariz., individual members of Small Mine Operators Association. Hearings recessed subject to call by chairman.

CAA AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Aviation Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 308 and S. 1119, omnibus bills to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended, with testimony, as indicated, from the following witnesses: Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary for Transportation, Commerce Department, who presented comprehensive testimony in general support of the bills, with suggested amendments; Crocker Snow, National Association of State Aviation Officials, and the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission, who testified on the effects of the bills on interests of the States in aviation; and D. W. Rentzel, chairman of the board, Slick Airways, Inc., who testified with regard to certain aspects of the bill and the need of increased cargo aircraft.

On Friday, April 29, the subcommittee heard testimony from Francis A. O'Connell, Transport Workers of America, who opposed amending the definition of "airman" to permit the CAB to exempt certain classes of mechanics from such provisions; Robert Lewis, Disciples of Christ, Indianapolis, Dr. Charles Anderson, Interchurch Transportation Committee (Presbyterian), Philadelphia, and James B. Hoge, Interchurch Transportation Committee (Methodist), all of whom supported an amendment to authorize airlines to grant free

or reduced rate air transportation to ministers of religion; and S. G. Tipton, general counsel, Air Transport Association of America, who continued his comprehensive testimony regarding all phases of the bills as they affect certificated airlines.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—TREATIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Continuing its hearings on S. J. Res. 1, proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the legal effect of certain treaties and other international agreements, Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments heard testimony favoring the proposal from Frank E. Holman, past president, American Bar Association. Testimony in opposition to this proposed amendment was heard from Secretary of State Dulles.

On Friday, April 29, the subcommittee heard testimony on this proposed legislation, as follows: Ray Murphy, American Legion, Omar Ketchum, VFW, Vermont Hatch, American Bar Association, and Mrs. Ralph E. Hacker, National Association of Pro America, who favored its enactment; and Harold C. Deutsch, cochairman, and Charles H. McLaughlin, research director, both of Minnesota Committee Against the Bricker Amendment, Harrop A. Freeman, Friends Committee on National Legislation, and Mrs. Oscar Reubhausen, League of Women Voters, who opposed it.

Hearings continue Thursday, May 5.

ANTISABOTAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, April 29, Internal Security Subcommittee began hearings on S. 681, sabotage prevention in defense plants in time of emergency, with testimony favoring the bill from Wilber M. Brucker, general counsel, Department of Defense, who stated that his department considers enactment of this bill as essential to guard our national security. Hearings continue Friday, May 6.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, Subcommittee on Labor today heard testimony from the following witnesses: Rowland Jones, Jr., American Retail Federation; Rowland F. Kirks, National Automobile Dealers Association; Frank De Sando, National Licensed Beverage Association; George L. Stearns, National Retail Dry Goods Association; William Noble, National Retail Farm Equipment Association, and National Retail Hardware Association; R. E. Carter, National Retail Furniture Association; Boyd Mahin, National Retail Lumber Dealers Association; Joseph T. King, Northwestern Lumbermens Association; George R. LeSauvage, National Restaurant Association, accompanied by F. C. Bacon, Tulsa, and Louise Mallergen, Petersburg, Ill.; W. E. Davis, Florida State Retailers Association; H. W. Hartman, Illinois Federation of Retail Associations; Dr. Dean Gallagher, Louisiana Retailers Association; Harry B. Thomas, Retail Merchants Association of New Jersey; John P. Kennedy, New York State Council of Retail Merchants, Inc.; Thompson Greenwood, North Carolina Merchants Association; O. T. Sloan, representing Macks 5, 10, and 25¢ Stores, North and South Carolina; Mrs. C. S. Johns, Ohio Retail Jewelers Association; R. J. Thompson, accompanied by John E. Means, both of Pennsylvania Retailers Association; Weston E. Hamilton, Utah Council of Retailers; and Christian Mundt, Virginia Retail Merchants Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

On Friday, April 29, Subcommittee on Labor continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony from the following witnesses: M. W. Smith, M. W. Smith Lumber Co., Jackson, Ala.; Gerald Bradford, Bradford Lumber Co., Grove Hill, Ala.; Mose Gordon, Mose Gordon Lumber Co., Commerce, Ga.; Oliver Bass, Bass-Clark Lumber Co., El Dorado, Ark.; Dr. Emerson P. Schmidt, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, Washington, D. C.; L. D. Kellogg, L. D. Kellogg Lumber Co., Alexandria, La.; E. H. Thomas, Thomas & Protz Lumber Co., St. Louis, Mo.; John Gosnell, attorney, Gosnell & Hawes, Washington, D. C.; J. Walter Myers, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., and R. J. Dedeauz, Perkinston, Miss., both representing Forest Farmers Association; and from the following representatives of the American Pulpwood Association: R. E. Canfield, counsel, and P. D. Breckenridge, Columbus, Ga., Russell Watson, Manistique, Mich., Carr Gibson, Elizabethtown, N. C., Rube Wilcos, Laurel, Miss., W. S. Mundy, Jr., Lynchburg, Va., and George Carlisle, Bangor, Maine.

GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds concluded its hearings on S. 1290, to provide for the construction of certain Government buildings in D. C., with testimony from John Searles, executive director, D. C. Redevelopment Land Agency; Irving Bryan, Assistant Corporation Counsel, District Commissioners; and William Cheatham, general counsel, National Capital Planning Commission. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: On Friday, April 29, in executive session, Subcommittee on Roads voted 6 to 3 to report favorably to the full committee with amendments S. 1048, authorizing appropriations for continued Federal aid to highway construction.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S ANTITRUST REPORT

Select Committee on Small Business: On Friday, April 29, continuing its hearings on the report of the Attorney General's Committee To Study the Antitrust Laws, committee heard the following witnesses express opposi-

tion to one or more recommendations of the report: C. M. McMillan, National Candy Wholesalers, Inc.; William D. Snow, National Congress of Petroleum Retailers, Inc.; Joseph P. Tacconelli, National Association of Independent Tire Dealers; George H. Frates, National Association of Retail Druggists; Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; Wallace J. Campbell, Cooperative League of the U. S.; Henry Bison, National Association of Retail Grocers; and Albert A. Carretta. Hearings recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H. R. 5936–5948; 5 private bills, H. R. 5949–5953; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 295 and 296, H. Con. Res. 119, and H. Res. 226, were introduced. Page 5333

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 208, granting congressional consent to Arkansas and Oklahoma to enter into a compact apportioning the waters of the Arkansas River and its tributaries, amended (H. Rept. 463);

H. R. 245, amending the act approved January 27, 1905, relative to construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 464);

H. R. 603, relating to the grant of additional land for the support and maintenance of the University of Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 465);

H. R. 625, providing for the adjustment of tolls in connection with maintenance and operation of a toll bridge across the Des Moines River at or near Saint Francisville, Mo. (H. Rept. 466);

H. R. 5166, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska (H. Rept. 467);

H. R. 5860, authorizing security officers of the State Department and the Foreign Service to carry firearms to protect heads of foreign states and other officials, amended (H. Rept. 468); and

H. R. 899, a private bill (H. Rept. 469).

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Agriculture Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5239, making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Whitten, Marshall, Deane, Natcher, Cannon, H. Carl Andersen, Horan, Vursell, and Taber. Page 5320

President's Message—International Finance: Received a message from the President recommending legislation to authorize U. S. membership in the International Finance Corporation and providing for payment of U. S. subscription of $35,168,000 to the $100 million capital stock of the Corporation. The message was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 152). Pages 5320–5321

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Lighthouse Service: S. 37, to amend the act increasing the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service in order to make such increase permanent (tabled H. R. 3486, a similar bill).

Canadian vessels: S. 948, to provide transportation on Canadian vessels between Alaska and the U. S.

Uniform allowances: S. 1094 (in lieu of H. R. 3948), to clarify the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act relative to enactment date (tabled H. R. 3948, a similar bill).

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Public land, Arizona: H. R. 1602, authorizes the conveyance of certain land by the State of Arizona and the town of Tempe, Ariz., to the Salt River Agricultural Improvement and Power District for use by said district (H. Rept. 436).

Coconino National Forest: H. R. 2679, to amend the act to protect values along Oak Creek Canyon and certain tributaries thereof within the Coconino National Forest, Ariz.

Columbia River: H. R. 3879, to amend the act of 1945 pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg.

Vessel inspection: H. R. 4646, to remove the requirement as to verifying under oath certain certificates of vessel inspection.

Engineers' quarters: H. R. 4936, to authorize the furnishing of subsistence and quarters without charge to employees of the Corps of Engineers engaged on floating plant operations.

Amputees' autos: H. R. 5089, to extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Indian schools: H. R. 3123, to repeal the provision of the Second Deficiency Appropriation Act of 1935, which requires recoupment of certain public funds spent for school construction.

Motor-vehicle service: H. R. 4659, to correct inequities in pay schedules of dispatchers in the post-office motor-vehicle service.

Money orders: H. R. 4817, relating to the payment of money orders.

Passed over without prejudice:

Medal of Honor: H. R. 735, to provide $100 per month pension to holders of the Medal of Honor.

Flood control: H. R. 3878, amending the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood-control work.

Alaska water resources: H. R. 3990, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska.

Fine Arts: H. R. 4534, to amend the act establishing a Commission of Fine Arts.

Postal employees bonding: H. R. 4778, to provide for the purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department, contractors of the Department, and Armed Forces mail clerks.

Objected to:

Bureau of Prisons: H. R. 3092, relating to overtime-compensation claim of employees of the Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, worked during period of March 3, 1931–43 (stricken from calendar).

Subversive activities control: H. R. 4753, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 to change the standard contained therein from 2 years to 3 years with respect to the past affiliation of individuals conducting the management of certain organizations.

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Arkansas-Oklahoma Water Compact: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. R. 208, granting the consent of Congress to the States of Arkansas and Oklahoma to negotiate and enter into a compact relating to their interests in, and the apportionment of, the waters of the Arkansas River and its tributaries as they affect such States. Page 5327

Bills Referred: Six Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 5332

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:34 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DONABLE COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 1762, amended, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey a tract of land situated in Woodward County, Okla., to the city of Woodward, Okla.; and

H. R. 2851, to make agriculture commodities owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation available to needy persons in areas of acute distress. This bill was amended by the substitution of new provisions to supersede the original measure. Officials of the Department of Agriculture who testified today were True D. Morse, Under Secretary of Agriculture, and Robert L. Farrington, General Counsel.

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION—COMMODITIES—MORTGAGES

Committee on Agriculture: Voted, last Friday, to report the following bills to the House—

H. R. 5376, to amend the Rural Electrification Act by repealing the so-called State allotment formula in the act;

H. R. 4514, to amend the Commodities Exchange Act by authorizing the issuance of subpenas incident to the conduct of investigation necessary in the administration of the act; and

S. 941, to authorize Federal land banks to purchase certain remaining assets of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy subcommittee met with A. C. Dahlbert, dairy department of Cornell University, New York, during last Friday's discussion on various aspects and factors of the dairy situation. Recessed until Thursday, May 5.

DOCTORS DRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Completed public hearings last Friday on H. R. 2886, to extend to July 1, 1957, the authority to require the special registration, classification, and induction of certain medical, dental, and allied specialists groups. Hugh Milton II, Assistant Secretary of the Army, urged favorable consideration of the legislation. Walter B. Martin, president of the American Medical Association, presented testimony opposing the drafting of doctors into the Armed Forces. Recessed until Tuesday morning, May 3, for executive consideration of the proposed legislation.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee approved two bills last Friday for reporting to the full committee, as follows—H. R. 1802, amended, leasing certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for preserving Fort Simcoe for historical purposes; and H. R. 4802, authorizing the execution of mortgages and deeds of trust on individual Indian trust or restricted land. H. R. 4783, a similar bill to H. R. 4802, was tabled.

Today, and also last Friday, the subcommittee considered H. R. 294, authorizing the leasing of restricted lands of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma for religious purposes, etc.; H. R. 2862, relating to leasing restricted Indian lands for religious, educational, etc., purposes, including farming and development of natural resources; and H. R. 2681, authorizing leasing of restricted Indian lands in Arizona for religious, business, etc., purposes. Sundry pending Indian bills were also considered at today's session. Appearing at these sessions were Representative Wickersham, author of H. R. 294 and other bills; Representative Holmes, author of H. R. 1802; Frank Ducheneaux, chairman,

tribal council, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, South Dakota; Louis J. O'Marr, Associate Commissioner, Indian Claims Commission, accompanied by James A. Langston; Howard Payne, representing the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, accompanied by tribal council members; William Zimmerman, representing the Association on American Indian Affairs; and Lewis Sigler, Associate Solicitor, Bureau of Indian Affairs.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Concluded public hearings today on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act. The following officials of the Federal Power Commission testified—Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman, and Commissioners Claude L. Draper, Nelson Lee Smith, Seaborn L. Digby, and Frederick Stueck.

At last Friday's session the committee also heard testimony from Representatives Jarman, of Oklahoma, and Bailey, of West Virginia.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard testimony today on several private immigration bills.

AMERICAN LEGION—BANKRUPTCY ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommitte No. 4, last Friday, ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 3813, to amend the act incorporating the American Legion so as to redefine eligibility for membership therein; and H. R. 4791, to amend section 40 of the Bankruptcy Act, so as to increase salaries for part-time and full-time referees.

KEY AND CARD MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Dowdy subcommittee completed a hearing last Friday on H. R. 4808, to provide for the transmission through the mails of keys and identification cards. Officials of the Post Office Department and representatives of the Disabled American Veterans testified on the proposed legislation.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: The Davis (Tennessee) subcommittee held a hearing today on H. R. 4662, to reduce Federal cost for the development of flood control, navigation, and irrigation in the Willamette River Basin, Oreg., by providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of power facilities and appurtenances at the Cougar Dam and Reservoir on the South Fork of the McKenzie River, Oreg. Testimony on the subject was received from Representatives Ellsworth (author of the bill), Coon, and Green of Oregon; Senator Neuberger; and Col. E. Whipple, Corps of Engineers (Army); and many local interested citizens.

Also held hearings last Friday on H. R. 2587, authorizing and directing a full investigation of the problem of protecting Narragansett Bay and southern shores of New England from hurricane-tidal floods and similar bills; H. R. 3907, authorizing an appropriation of $5 million to repair 1954 hurricane damage along the coast of South Carolina from Georgetown to Cherry Grove Beach; and H. R. 5312, authorizing an appropriation of $5 million to repair hurricane damage along the coast of North Carolina which struck that area in 1954. Witnesses heard on H. R. 2587 were Representatives Forand, Derounian, Fogarty, Nicholson, Becker, Wainwright, and Seely-Brown. Speaking on H. R. 3907 was Representative McMillan (author); and on H. R. 5312, Representatives Carlyle (author) and Bonner. Many citizens of the affected areas also testified, along with Carter Page and Joseph Brennan for the Corps of Engineers (Army).

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTE

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds held a hearing last Friday on H. R. 416 and 2114, to direct the regents of the Smithsonian Institute to prepare drawings and specifications for a museum building for the Smithsonian Institution. Testimony on the subject was received from Representatives Cannon, Vorys, and Brooks of Louisiana, members of the Smithsonian Board of Regents. Officials of Federal agencies and departments also testified.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee resumed hearings in connection with its study of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Testifying at today's session were representatives of the DAV, Retired Officers' Association, Commissioned Officers' Association of the United States Public Health Service, Fleet Reserve Association, AMVETS, and the VFW. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon when officials of the Social Security Administration are scheduled to testify.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC CONSTRUCTION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation met in executive session to review AEC's request for construction of plant and procurement of equipment. AEC representatives at this meeting were Acting Chairman Libby, Commissioner Murray, Kenneth Fields, General Manager, and division heads.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and the Farm Credit Administration, but did not complete their work. Conferees recessed subject to call.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 5, 1955, through April 30, 1955.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through April 30, 1955

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	49	56	..
Time in session	220 hrs., 46′	172 hrs., 09′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	2,570	1,898	4,468
Appendix	..	..	2,884
Public bills enacted into law	10	18	28
Private bills enacted into law	2	..	2
Bills in conference	1	2	3
Bills through conference	..	3	3
Measures passed, total	245	448	..
Senate bills	147	11	..
House bills	19	317	..
Senate joint resolutions	5	3	..
House joint resolutions	5	7	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	7	2	..
House concurrent resolutions	7	9	..
Simple resolutions	55	99	154
Measures reported, total	*298	*441	..
Senate bills	164	5	..
House bills	20	355	..
Senate joint resolutions	10	..	..
House joint resolutions	3	8	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	10	1	..
House concurrent resolutions	7	8	..
Simple resolutions	84	64	148
Special reports	12	17	..
Conference reports	..	4	..
Reported measures not acted on	**35	**41	..
Measures introduced, total	2,047	6,572	8,619
Bills	1,856	5,935	7,791
Joint resolutions	67	294	361
Concurrent resolutions	29	118	147
Simple resolutions	95	225	320
Quorum calls	24	19	43
Yea-and-nay votes	32	23	55
Bills vetoed	..	..	..
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 259 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 462 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through April 30, 1955

Postmaster nominations, totaling 947, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	409
Withdrawn	3
Rejected	1
Unconfirmed	534
Army nominations, totaling 3,279, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,433
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	846
Air Force nominations, totaling 2,170, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,166
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	4
Navy nominations, totaling 9,381, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,932
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	1,449
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 7,936, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,822
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	114
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,135, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,037
Withdrawn	1
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	97

Summary

Total nominations received	24,848
Total withdrawn	4
Total rejected	1
Total unconfirmed	3,044
Total confirmed	21,799

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	House					Senate					Public law			Increase or decrease compared to budget estimates to date
		Budget estimates to House	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Budget estimates to Senate	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.	
	1955 APPROPRIATIONS														
	Supplemental														
H. R. 2091	Urgent Deficiency, 1955	----------	Jan. 13	$25,000	Jan. 13	$25,000	----------	Jan. 17	$993,950	Jan. 18	$1,013,950	Jan. 25	----------	3	+$1,013,950
H. J. Res. 252	Justice, 1955	$750,000	Mar. 14	710,000	Mar. 14	710,000	----------	Mar. 15	710,000	Mar. 16	710,000	Mar. 16	----------	13	−40,000
H. R. 4903	Second Supplemental	920,523,454	Mar. 15	855,212,429	Mar. 18	857,187,429	$952,002,718	Apr. 13	938,402,835	Apr. 14	945,412,835	Apr. 22	$898,805,875	24	−53,196,843
	Regular														
	(Fiscal 1956)														
H. R. 4876	Treasury-Post Office	3,360,250,000	Mar. 11	3,282,553,000	Mar. 15	3,282,553,000	3,360,385,000	Apr. 12	3,358,622,000	Apr. 13	3,358,622,000	----------	----------	----------	−1,763,000
H. R. 5046	Labor-H. E. W	2,432,148,861	Mar. 18	2,337,522,261	Mar. 21	2,337,522,261	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	−94,626,600
H. R. 5085	Interior	313,353,056	Mar. 21	298,271,246	Mar. 24	297,925,546	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	−15,427,510
H. R. 5239	Agriculture	897,684,574	Mar. 25	880,260,050	Mar. 28	880,260,050	898,384,574	Apr. 21	884,393,923	Apr. 26	884,433,923	----------	----------	----------	−13,950,651
H. R. 5240	Independent Offices	5,639,790,000	Mar. 26	5,845,595,375	Mar. 30	5,845,595,375	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	+205,805,375
H. R. 5502	State, Justice, Judiciary	483,531,912	Apr. 13	450,398,227	Apr. 14	450,398,227	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	−33,133,685

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate reached agreement limiting debate on trade agreements extension bill.

House debated agricultural price supports bill.

Reserve Forces bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee. Bills on import tax suspensions, Coast Guard, and reclamation partnerships also approved by House committees.

Conferees agreed to file reports on postal pay raise and local-service air carriers.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5361–5379

Bills Introduced: 11 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1875–S. 1885; S. J. Res. 68 and S. Res. 96. **Pages 5363, 5368**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1650, to authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act (S. Rept. 263);

S. 1633, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska (S. Rept. 264);

S. 824, to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands erroneously conveyed to the U. S., with amendment (S. Rept. 265); and

S. J. Res. 38, extending and renewing for 4 years (until September 1, 1959) the interstate compact to conserve oil and gas, with amendments (S. Rept. 266). **Page 5363**

Bills Referred: Eight House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Pages 5360–5361**

Bills Placed on Calendar: The following two House-passed bills were placed on calendar: H. R. 1602, authorizing transfer by State of Arizona and town of Tempe, Ariz., of certain property, and H. R. 4936, authorizing free subsistence and quarters to employees of Corps of Engineers engaged on floating-plant operations. **Pages 5360–5361**

Committee Expenditures: By unanimous consent, there was taken from the calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration S. Res. 35, to provide for a study of merchant-marine training and education in U. S. **Page 5369**

Natural Gas: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was discharged from further consideration of S. 1498, to amend the Natural Gas Act, and the bill was indefinitely postponed. **Page 5367**

Trade Agreements: Senate reached unanimous-consent agreement to limit debate in the consideration of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, as follows: After routine business on Wednesday, May 4, debate on any amendment, motion, or appeal (except motion to lay on table) will be limited to 2 hours, debate on final passage of the bill will be limited to 4 hours, and no nongermane amendment will be received. **Pages 5379, 5382–5391, 5393–5445**

Recess: Recessed at 7:35 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Defense, subcommittee heard further testimony today in behalf of funds for maintenance and operations of the Department of the Army from Brig. Gen. Louis V. Hightower, Chief, Organization and Training Division, Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G–3, and Col. M. N. Levenick, Budget Division, Office of Comptroller of the Army. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony in behalf of funds for their departments, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

National Capital Housing Authority—James D. Ring, Director;

National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics—Dr. Jerome C. Hunsaker, Chairman, Donald A. Quarles, Vice Adm. Thomas S. Combs, and Maj. Gen. H. B. Thatcher for Lt. Gen. Donald L. Putt, members, and Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, Director, who were accompanied by their associates;

Renegotiation Board—Frank L. Roberts, Chairman, and Charles F. Mills, Lawrence C. Hartwig, and

Thomas Coggeshall, Board members, who were accompanied by their associates; and

Securities and Exchange Commission—Ralph H. Demmler, Chairman, and Paul R. Rowen, Clarence H. Adams, J. Sinclair Armstrong, and A. Jackson Goodwin, Commissioners, and associates.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, with testimony today, as follows:

On cemeterial expenses for the Quartermaster Corps—with testimony from representatives of the Department of the Army; and

On Russian River, Calif., multiple-purpose reservoir, and Crescent City Harbor, Calif., navigational improvement project—with testimony from Representative Scudder and local (California) witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

REVIEW OF UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

Committee on Foreign Relations: The Subcommittee on the U. N. Charter resumed its hearings today, with testimony from U. S. representative to the U. N. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. Mr. Lodge stated that with regard to the review of the U. N. Charter, it was his opinion that two thoughts are very important: (1) That the U. S. should support the holding of a Charter Review Conference, and (2) that when such a Conference is held, the charter should be amended to eliminate the veto on the admission of new members.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PAKISTAN GRAIN STORAGE

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held further hearings with regard to the investigation of the construction of grain-storage facilities in Pakistan with Foreign Operations Administration funds, with testimony today from FOA Director Harold Stassen. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

ALASKA BILLS, AND LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 1633, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska, and S. 1650, to authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act; and with amendment S. 824, to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands erroneously conveyed to the U. S.

HELLS CANYON PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1333, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Hells Canyon Dam on Snake River between Idaho and Oregon, with testimony from Gordon M. Fernald, Office of Division Engineer, Corps of Engineers, Portland, Oreg., who discussed the relationship of Hells Canyon project to the corps' control plan for the Columbia River, and the following proponents of the bill: O. A. Knight, representing the president, CIO; Wallace Campbell, Cooperative League; Frank N. Calvin, Farmers Union Central Exchange, St. Paul, Minn.; and Clyde Ellis and Charles Robinson, both of National Rural Electric Cooperatives. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CAA AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Aviation Subcommittee concluded its hearings on S. 308 and S. 1119, omnibus bills to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended, with testimony from George D. Riley, legislative representative, AFL, and W. F. Kinnard, representative, Air Line Dispatchers Association, AFL, both of whom discussed certain provisions of the bill including those affecting the Railway Labor Act; Ramsay Potts, president, Independent Military Air Transport Association, who submitted general testimony and urged increased competition in air transportation; and Hardy Maclay, counsel, North American Airlines, who submitted rebuttal testimony and also urged increased competition in air transportation. Larry Cates, Washington representative, Air Line Pilots Association, submitted a statement to be filed in the record.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony today from the following witnesses: A. A. Conde, representing Conference of State Manufacturers Associations; Tyre Taylor, Southern States Industrial Council; H. L. Wingate, Pelham, Ga., Roy Forkner, Lovett, Tex., George H. Sherman, Haynesville, La., and Robert Patterson, Trenton, Tenn., all representing the National Cotton Council; Sidney Levingston, the Mid-South Cotton Producers Committee; Clifford H. Hardy, National Cotton Ginners Association; M. M. Malmer, American Transit Association; Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau Federation; John J. Riggle, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; M. J. Vincent, Kentucky Department of Agriculture; Lee Towsan, Vegetable Growers Association of America; Kenneth Morefield, Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association; Austin E. Anson, Texas Citrus and Vegetable Growers and Shippers; Fayette Sherman, of the George A. Hormel & Co.; J. W. Post, American Butter Institute; Marion R. Carstang and William C. Eckles, both of National Milk Producers Federation; and John Haas, Dairy Industry Committee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 39 public bills, H. R. 5954–5992; 19 private bills, H. R. 5993–6011; and 8 resolutions, H. J. Res. 297 and 298, H. Con. Res. 120 and 121, and H. Res. 227–230, were introduced. Pages 5446, 5501–5502, 5521–5523

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 227, providing for consideration of, and 4 hours of debate on, H. R. 5297, to provide for the strengthening of the Reserve Forces (H. Rept. 470);

H. R. 1825, creating a Federal commission to formulate plans for construction of a civic auditorium in the District of Columbia, amended (H. Rept. 471);

H. R. 2986, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court and the municipal court of appeals, amended (H. Rept. 472);

H. R. 3825, authorizing retrocession of jurisdiction over highways at Fort Devens, Mass. (H. Rept. 473);

H. R. 4359, conveyance of certain real property to the city of Richmond, Calif. (H. Rept. 474);

H. R. 5398, to increase the efficiency of the Coast and Geodetic Survey (H. Rept. 475);

H. R. 4650, regulation of fireworks in the Canal Zone (H. Rept. 476); and

Three private bills, H. R. 1806, 4909, and 5146 (H. Repts. 477–479, respectively). Page 5521

Agricultural Price Supports: Adopted H. Res. 224, providing for the consideration of, and 4 hours of debate on, H. R. 12, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, with respect to price supports for basic commodities; concluded all debate; and read the first section of the bill for amendments before deferring further action on the legislation until Wednesday. Pages 5446–5501

Bills Re-referred: The Committee on Agriculture was discharged from further consideration of five House bills which were then re-referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. Page 5501

Uniform Allowances: Adopted H. Con. Res. 121, requesting the President to return, for reenrolling, S. 1094, to clarify the Federal Employees' Uniform Allowance Act, relative to enactment date. Pages 5501–5502

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:31 p. m.

Committee Meetings

VESICULAR EXANTHEMA—STOCK FEEDS

Committee on Agriculture: The Poage subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4576, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to indemnify against loss all persons in an amount equal to 50 percent whose swine were destroyed in July 1954 as a result of having been infected with or exposed to the contagious disease, vesicular exanthema.

Also considered, but postponed action on, H. R. 4176, to provide that feed furnished in disaster areas under Public Law 115 (83d Cong.) shall be made available for feeding working stock and hogs.

Testifying on H. R. 4576 was Dr. M. R. Clarkson, Agriculture Research Service; and on H. R. 4176, Kenneth L. Scott, Office of the Secretary of Agriculture.

DOCTORS DRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5946, as amended, to extend to July 1, 1957, the authority to require the special registration, classification, and induction of certain medical, dental, and allied specialists groups. This newly introduced measure, to supersede H. R. 2886, also contains the amended provisions of H. R. 4645, the Armed Forces Scholarship Act of 1955, and provisions relative to extension of special authorizations.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 2674, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System. Will continue on same proposal tomorrow morning.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed public hearings on proposed legislation to provide Federal assistance to States for school construction. Witnesses heard today were William G. Carr, executive secretary, International Educational Association; and Arthur F. Corey, executive secretary, California Teachers Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Mr. Corey is scheduled to resume his testimony.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Began executive marking up of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Will resume on same subject tomorrow morning.

ALUMINA PLANT, WYOMING

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks (Texas) subcommittee completed action today in connection with its study of a negotiated sale by the GSA of a Government-owned alumina plant, located in Laramie, Wyo. A letter, containing the conclusions of the

study group, will be forwarded to the General Accounting Office.

RECLAMATION—INDIANS—ALASKA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 5881, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects (supersedes H. R. 104);

H. R. 2682, to withdraw from exploration, location, and entry mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation, Ariz.;

H. R. 4853, amended, to authorize the sale of certain land in Alaska to the Pacific Northern Timber Co.;

H. R. 5462, amended, to authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act; and

H. R. 1802, amended, to authorize the leasing of certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for the purpose of developing, maintaining, and preserving Fort Simcoe (Mool-Mool) for historical purposes.

TRINITY RIVER, CALIF.

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4663, to authorize the Secretary of Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AIR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications discussed air navigational aids in executive session today with D. D. Thomas, Deputy Director, Office of Federal Airways, representing the Civil Aeronautics Administration. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 resumed public hearings on pending wiretapping bills (H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5086). Today's witnesses were William A. Rahill, attorney, representing Friends Committee on National Legislation; and Bernard Spindel, of New York City. A statement for the record was filed on behalf of the American Jewish Congress. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

COAST GUARD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 5875, amended, providing involuntary retirement of certain officers of the Coast Guard;

H. R. 5224, amended, authorizing certain early discharges of enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard; and

H. R. 3399, to lower the age requirements with respect to optional retirement of persons serving in the Coast Guard who served in the former Lighthouse Service.

Testimony on the three subjects was presented by Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard, who was accompanied by members of his staff. Also heard on H. R. 3399 was Clarence F. Cockrell, who represented the Active-Retired Lighthouse Service Employees Association.

CHURCH PUBLICATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Kilgore subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4585, to admit to the mail as second-class matter publications of churches and church organizations. Witnesses heard on the proposal were Representative Wright, author of the bill; Edwin A. Riley, Director of the Division of Mail Classification, Bureau of Post Office Operations; Louis J. Doyle, Associate Solicitor, Post Office Department; Dr. E. F. Adams, assistant general secretary, National Council of the Churches of Christ; Rev. Robert E. Van Deusen, Washington secretary of the National Lutheran Council; and Dr. Frederick E. Ressig, executive secretary, Washington Federation of Churches.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 4260, and related bills, to provide a program of Federal aid for highway construction. Today's witnesses included Matt Triggs, legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; George Riley, legislative assistant, AFL; and Paul A. Larson, assistant to the president, International Union of Operating Engineers. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

RESERVE FORCES—SALINE WATERS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, providing for 4 hours of general debate, on H. R. 5297, National Reserve Force Plan. Witnesses heard in support of this proposal were Representatives Brooks of Louisiana, Van Zandt, and Devereux.

Also granted an open rule, providing for 1 hour of general debate, on H. R. 2126, on research in the development and utilization of saline waters. Testifying in favor of this proposal were Representatives Engle, Aspinall, and Rhodes of Arizona.

REPATRIATION—HOUSE RULES

Committee on Rules: Considered but took no action on the following simple resolutions—H. Res. 137, study of forced repatriation program (1945–47) carried out by our military-civilian authorities; H. Res. 194, relating to joint introduction by two or more Members of House measures; and H. Res. 205, to require yea-and-nay votes in the case of final action on appropriation bills.

Representative Bosch, author of H. Res. 137, testified on that subject, while Representative Rogers of Florida, author of the other two, spoke on their behalf.

AIR FORCE CASE

Committee on Rules: Heard Representative Kelley of Pennsylvania in connection with H. Res. 225, relative to a study by the Committee on Armed Services into the factors involved in the separation or proposed separation of Capt. Eugene A. Novak from service in the U. S. Air Force. No action was taken on the proposal, it being deemed the jurisdiction of the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSING—BANKING AND CURRENCY

Committee on Rules: Considered, but deferred action on, H. Res. 203, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to housing; and H. Res. 210, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to the Federal Open Market Committee.

Speaking in support of H. Res. 203 were Representatives Rains (author of the measure), Spence, Wolcott, Widnall, Griffiths, and Vanik. Testifying in support of H. Res. 210 were Representatives Patman (author of the measure) and Spence; while opposition testimony was furnished by Representatives Wolcott, Widnall, Talle, and McDonough.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: The Moulder subcommittee heard testimony today from Mrs. Mildred Blauvelt, a detective on the New York City Police Force, relative to activities of Communist Party groups in the New York City area. The witness presented a comprehensive analysis of functions and infiltration actions, which she furnished from accumulated copies and accounts of specific data which she had accumulated. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

IMPORT TAXES

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 5223, amended, to continue until the close of June 30, 1956, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap (excluding lead and zinc scrap);

H. R. 5560, making permanent the existing privilege of free importation of personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders;

H. R. 5695, continuing until the close of June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper;

H. R. 5877, authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Treasury Department;

H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad.

H. R. 5936, amended, to provide wage credits under title II of the Social Security Act for military service before January 1, 1956, and to permit application for lump-sum benefits under such title to be made within 2 years after interment or reinterment in the case of servicemen dying overseas before January 1, 1956.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy committee concluded public hearings in connection with its study of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Final witnesses to testify were Robert J. Myers, Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration; Lou Grayson, of the National Association of Life Underwriters; and Col. C. M. Boyer, of the Reserve Officers Association.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC WEAPONS PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Military Applications Subcommittee met in executive session with representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission, and Dr. Herbert York, director of the University of California Radiation Laboratory at Livermore, Calif., and Dr. Norris Bradbury, director of the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, for a further discussion of the atomic weapons program. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

ECONOMIC STATISTICS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee on Economic Statistics held an executive session to discuss its future plans, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

POSTAL PAY INCREASE

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department. Following today's conference, Chairman Johnston of the Senate Committee on Post Office and Civil Service stated that—

* * * The agreement reached provides a 7-percent increase to every postal employee retroactive to March 1, 1955. This is a compromise between 6-percent House bill and the 10-percent Senate bill. The Senate conferees accepted less than the amount they considered justified in terms of an immediate pay increase because of their desire to give these employees an increase without further delay.

In addition to the pay increase, the compromise includes the reclassification program sought by the administration and passed by the House. This feature of the bill will give most employees a further increase as the reclassification of the individual positions occur.

The additional percentage increase caused by adoption of the President's reclassification feature cannot be accurately computed until 180 days after the bill becomes law. * * *

LOCAL-SERVICE AIR CARRIERS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 2225, to amend section 401 (e) of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938, as amended. The conferees on the part of the House receded from its disagreement to the Senate amendments to the bill, and agreed to same with the exception of an amendment to the bill's title.

Wednesday, May 4, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed by 75 yeas to 13 nays, trade agreements extension bill.
House worked on agricultural price supports bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5534–5537, 5655–5658

Bills Introduced: 17 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1886–S. 1902; and S. J. Res. 69.

Pages 5535–5536, 5655

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Proposed agreement for cooperation between the parties of NATO regarding atomic information (S. Rept. 267);

S. 1398, to strengthen the investigation provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act (S. Rept. 268);

S. 1133, authorizing payment for losses incurred in July 1954 in treatment of infected swine (S. Rept. 269);

H. R. 1831, to protect innocent purchasers of converted fungible goods from claims by the CCC, with amendments (S. Rept. 270). **Page 5535**

Thailand Prime Minister: Senate was visited by Prime Minister Pibulsonggram of Thailand, who made a brief address. **Pages 5577–5578**

Trade Agreements: By a vote of 75 yeas and 13 nays the Senate passed with amendments H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, after taking actions on amendments submitted today, as follows:

Adopted: Morse amendment providing that evidence of serious injury or threat thereof to a readily determinable segment of a producing organization shall be considered evidence of such injury or threat to the domestic industry producing like or competitive products; and

Rejected: Malone amendment (in the nature of a substitute for the bill) authorizing FTC to operate trade agreements program and to provide for periodic adjustment of import duties based on competition between U. S. and foreign-made products; Humphrey amendment to establish a trade adjustment board, the function of which would be avoidance or easing of economic losses to communities, industries, and individuals suffered through operation of trade agreements program; Neely amendment establishing a 35 per centum ad valorem duty on toy glass marbles based on the American selling price; by 9 yeas to 82 nays, Douglas amendment to repeal peril point section of the bill; on division vote, Neely amendment limiting importation of oil in any calendar quarter to 10 percent of domestic oil consumption for corresponding quarter of previous year; O'Mahoney amendment holding in abeyance any future trade agreement until Congress has specifically approved it; by 13 yeas to 73 nays, Morse amendment providing that no future trade agreement shall take effect until expiration of 90 days of continuous session of Congress following its transmittal to Congress, nor shall take effect if during such 90 days of session either House of Congress shall disapprove such trade agreement; Morse amendment providing that after Tariff Commission makes its recommendation and President transmits to Congress his reasons for not taking action thereon, the Congress may within 90 days of continuous session thereafter pass a concurrent resolution favoring the Commission's recommendations and the President shall then put them into effect; by 21 yeas to 67 nays, Douglas amendment to eliminate sections 5 and 6 of the bill, providing for Trade Commission findings in Federal Register, and providing that increased imports shall be considered as cause or threat of serious injury to a domestic producer of like or directly competitive products when Tariff Commission finds that such increased imports have contributed materially to serious injury or threat thereof to such industry; Malone amendment limiting life of extension to June 30, 1956, instead of 1958; and Malone amendment limiting scope of trade

agreements to those with nations in Western Hemisphere.

Senate insisted on its amendments to the bill, requested conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Byrd, George, Kerr, Millikin, and Martin of Pennsylvania. Pages 5537–5655

Interior Appropriations: Senate made its pending business H. R. 5085, Interior Department appropriations for fiscal year 1956. Page 5655

Recess: Recessed at 10:46 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 1133, authorizing payment for losses incurred in July 1954 in treatment of infected swine, and S. 1398, to strengthen the investigation provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act; and with an amendment H. R. 1831, to protect innocent purchasers of converted fungible goods from claims by the CCC.

Committee authorized the chairman to appoint subcommittees to consider the following bills: S. 1286, Farm Credit Act of 1955, S. 1636, use of humane methods in slaughter of livestock and poultry in interstate or foreign commerce and S. 544, to preserve and strengthen the family-farm pattern of American agriculture.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Defense Department, with testimony, as follows:

On funds for maintenance and operations, Army—Brig. Gen. Philip F. Lindeman, Chief, Army Reserve and ROTC Affairs;

On military construction-Army Reserve Forces—Col. William R. Shuler, Chief, Construction Division, Office of Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics; and

On funds for the Army National Guard—Maj. Gen. William H. Abendroth, Chief, Army Division, NGB.

Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony in behalf of funds for their departments, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

Selective Service System—Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director;

General Services Administration—Edmund F. Mansure, Administrator; on Public Buildings items—Peter A. Strobel, Commissioner; on Federal Supply items—Clifton E. Mack, Commissioner; on National Archives and Records items—Wayne C. Grover, Archivist; and on National Stockpiling items—A. J. Walsh, Commissioner of Emergency Procurement; and

Housing and Home Finance Agency—Albert M. Cole, Administrator; Norman P. Mason, Commissioner of Federal Housing; and Charles E. Slusser, Commissioner of Public Housing, with assistants.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5502, State, Justice, Commerce appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony today on Justice Department items, as indicated, from the following departmental witnesses:

On overall operations—Attorney General Brownell;

On general administrative matters—Administrative Assistant Attorney General S. A. Andretta;

On Board of Parole matters—Scovel Richardson, Chairman, and G. J. Reed;

On U. S. attorney matters—Joseph Lesh;

On tax matters—Assistant Attorney General H. B. Holland;

On Criminal Division matters—Assistant Attorney General Warren Olney III; and

On Alien Property matters—Assistant Attorney General D. S. Townsend.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, with testimony in behalf of items, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

On Eagle Gorge Dam Reservoir for flood control and water conservation, upper Green River, Wash.—Senators Magnuson and Jackson and local witnesses;

On Alaska harbor projects—Delegate Bartlett and local witnesses;

On Sacramento River deep-water channel—Senator Kuchel and local witnesses; and

On Catlettsburg, Ky., local flood-control project, and Maysville, Ky., levee and flood wall (final construction funds)—Senator Clements and local witnesses.

Appearing in opposition to the Success Dam flood-control project on Tule River, Calif., was Roland R. Killian, Springville, Calif.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACT

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Health concluded its hearings on S. 1163 and S. 1835, to amend the D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act. Testifying in opposition to this proposed legislation were C. A. Wharton, Director, D. C. Unem-

ployment Compensation Board; William H. Press and Leonard J. Calhoun, both of the Washington Board of Trade; John S. Cockrell, Washington Restaurant Association; E. A. Pritchard, D. C. Merchants and Manufacturers Association; Hugh Steinberger and Arthur Clarendon Smith, Jr., both of D. C. Trucking Association; James F. Fort, American Trucking Association; A. Graham Shields, Oil Heat Institute; Maurice Long, Laundry Dry Cleaners Association; Victor Shannerer, Washington Building Congress; and Ed Davis, Master Builders Association.

Favoring testimony was heard from Mrs. Catherine Ellickson, research department, CIO.

D. C. TEACHERS' PAY

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs began hearings on S. 1093 and S. 1505, D. C. teachers' pay adjustment bills, with testimony, as follows:

Favoring S. 1093 were Senator Beall; Frederick Lukens, Education Association of D. C., and Columbian Educational Association; Helen Samuel and Dr. Ellis Haworth, both of D. C. Education Associations; Thomas Bell, D. C. Vocational Association; Franklin Padgett, Education Association of D. C.; Edward J. Edwards, Columbian Educational Association; Thelma Raymond, Elementary Teachers' Association; Lester Walter, Association of Secondary School Principals and Officers; Elizabeth Griffith, Elementary Classroom Teachers' Association; Emily Gosling, the High School Classroom Teachers Association; Rex Howard, the Junior High School Classroom Teachers' Association; Mrs. Vashti Cook, Attendance Officers' Association; Mrs. Francis Haas, Elementary Principals' Association; Clyde Cochran, the Elementary Junior-Senior High School Classroom Teachers' Council; Keith Johnson, Association of Secondary School Principals and Officers; Arden A. Kidwell, Evening and Summer School Teachers' Association (who suggested an amendment); Dr. W. A. Kilgore, the Faculty Organization, Wilson Teachers' College; and Mrs. John K. Berry, Northwest Council of Citizens Association; and

Favoring S. 1505 were Senator Morse; Selma Borchardt, the American Federation of Teachers, and Washington Central Labor Union; Andrew J. Biemiller, AFL; and Dr. Paul Cooke, the Teachers' Union of Washington, D. C., local 6, AFL.

Testifying in opposition to these bills and offering a substitute proposal were Samuel Spencer, President, D. C. Board of Commissioners, and Dr. Henry F. Hubbard, personnel officer, D. C. Government.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HELLS CANYON PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1333, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Hells Canyon Dam on Snake River between Idaho and Oregon. Testimony favoring the bill was heard from C. E. Huff and Angus McDonald, representing James G. Patton, president, all of National Farmers Union, and Andrew J. Biemiller, representing George Meany, president, both AFL. Testimony in opposition to the project was heard from Fred M. Cooper, president, and Alex Coleman, director, both of Idaho State Reclamation Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

WILDLIFE BILLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries held hearings on S. 756, to provide that the U. S. shall aid the States in wildlife restoration projects, S. 757, to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of March 16, 1934, and S. 1172, to amend the Wildlife Restoration Act to provide that the amount of money currently in the Federal Aid to Wildlife Restoration Fund shall be available for use during fiscal year beginning July 1, 1955. Testimony was received from Representative Metcalf; Charles Callison, conservation director and secretary, National Wildlife Foundation; C. R. Gutermuth, vice president, Wildlife Management Institute; Michael H. Hudoba, Washington editor of Sports Afield; and John L. Farley, Director, and Robert Rutherford, Management Division, both of the Fish and Wildlife Service of the Interior Department. Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S ANTITRUST REPORT

Committee on the Judiciary: On Tuesday, May 3, Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly held hearings on the report of the Attorney General's Committee To Study Antitrust Laws. Testimony with regard to this report was heard from Assistant Attorney General Stanley N. Barnes, who is cochairman of the Attorney General's Committee; Prof. Milton Handler, Columbia University Law School; Prof. Eugene V. Rostow, Yale University Law School; and Wendell Berge, formerly Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed bills to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony from Arthur Packard, American Hotel Association; J. W. Bellamy, Jr., American Bankers Association; Max Rittenbaum, Sanitary Institute of America; Don M. Turnbull, American Poultry and Hatchery Federation; Clyde McFarlin, U. S. Independent Telephone Association; Bernard E. Esters, National Editorial Association

(who was introduced by Senator Smith of Maine); T. S. Paul, accompanied by John H. Waters, both of Western Union Telegraph Co.; Charles H. Tower, National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters; and Ammon G. Dunton, National Fisheries Institute, Inc. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SALK POLIO VACCINE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee held an executive conference to consider problems arising out of the current Salk antipolio vaccine program. Also in attendance at this conference were Surgeon General Leonard Sheele, and Roswell B. Perkins, Assistant Secretary of HEW.

Committee recessed on this subject until the President's report on the voluntary program of the Department of HEW is made public.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT POLICIES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Subcommittee on Military Procurement resumed its hearings into Federal procurement policies and procedures which affect small business. The following representatives of the General Accounting Office submitted testimony as to some of the problems faced in this field by their agency: J. E. Welch, Assistant General Counsel, R. F. Keller, assistant to Comptroller General, and Ralph E. Ramsey, Assistant Chief of Investigation Division.

Also testifying was George Grimsley, procurement officer, Purchase Division, Federal Supply Service, who gave an account of what progress is being made by the GSA to work out an effective small-business program.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H. R. 6012–6028; 11 private bills, H. R. 6029–6039; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 299 and 300, and H. Res. 231–234, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 231, to amend the act of July 3, 1952, relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters (H. Rept. 480);

H. R. 5881, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects (H. Rept. 481);

S. 1763, relating to the extension and the final liquidation of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government (H. Rept. 482);

Report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Federal Catalog Program Report—Identification and Conversion" (H. Rept. 483);

Report of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on the proposed agreement for cooperation with NATO for cooperation regarding atomic information (H. Rept. 484); and

H. R. 5695, to continue until the close of June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper (H. Rept. 485). Pages 5691–5692

Agricultural Price Supports: Resumed the consideration of H. R. 12 to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, with respect to price supports for basic commodities, and while in the Committee of the Whole, adopted an amendment to eliminate peanuts from the list of basic commodities and to remove acreage allotment controls therefrom. This amendment was adopted by a teller vote of 186 yeas to 150 nays. Further consideration of the bill was deferred to Thursday.

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Thailand Prime Minister: The House recessed briefly and received Prime Minister Pibulsonggram of Thailand, who was escorted to and from the Chamber by Representatives McCormack, Martin, Richards, and Chiperfield. Pages 5689–5690

Postal Pay Raise: It was announced that the conference report on S. 1, to increase rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, would be considered on Monday, May 11. Page 5690

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:35 p. m.

Committee Meetings

BURLEY TOBACCO

Committee on Agriculture: The Abbitt subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee S. J. Res. 60, directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls.

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Began hearings on H. R. 5700, the military public works bill, and received testimony from Franklin G. Floete, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Properties and Installations). Mr. Floete was accompanied by Roger W. Fulling, Director of Construction, Office of the Assistant Secretary. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES—SALK VACCINE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 2674, providing for the regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System. Recessed on the bill subject to call of the Chair. Will hold public hearings Friday morning on H. R. 5599, to provide authority to allocate and establish priorities for Salk vaccine.

STUDENT FARES

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on Public Utilities approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3908, to fix D. C. street-transit fares for school children at half the established fare. Testifying on the measure were Robert E. McLaughlin, Chairman of the D. C. Public Utilities Commission, and representatives of the Capital Transit Co. and the Washington Board of Trade.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: William G. Carr, executive secretary of the National Education Association, resumed his testimony today, relative to the association's recommendation of congressional approval of a 5-year program of Federal assistance to States for school construction. The estimated cost of the program is $2.5 billion. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive consideration of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Officials of the Department of Justice, who testified at today's session, were Sidney Gross, Chief of the Legal and Legislative Section, Office of Alien Property, and Sol Lindenbaum, of the same section. Committee recessed until tomorrow morning.

HOOVER COMMISSION—FEDERAL CATALOG

Committee on Government Operations: Ordered reported to the House S. 1763, extension and final liquidation of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government; and its first intermediate report, entitled "Federal Catalog Progress Report (Identification and Conversion)", from the Subcommittee on Military Operations.

HATCH ACT

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Elections held a hearing on H. R. 3084, to remove the restrictions placed on State employees and officers by the Hatch Act relating to political activities in elections for Federal officers. Witnesses heard on the proposal were Representatives Beamer (author of the bill) and Prouty. Officials of the Civil Service Commission who testified were Pierce J. Gerity, General Counsel, and Lawrence V. Meloy, Assistant General Counsel. Recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee, each as amended—H. J. Res. 194, to designate the General Grant tree (known as the Nation's Christmas Tree) in Kings Canyon National Park, Calif., as a national shrine; H. J. Res. 207, to provide for investigating the feasibility of establishing a coordinated local, State, and Federal program in the city of Boston, Mass., and general vicinity thereof, for the purpose of preserving the historic properties, objects, and buildings in that area; and H. R. 5597, to increase the public benefits from the National Park System by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto.

The subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 5660 to revise the boundaries of the Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, in the State of North Dakota. Testifying on this proposed legislation were Representative Krueger, author of the bill; Gov. Norman Brunsdale, of North Dakota; and Jackson Price, Chief of the Lands Division of the National Park Service. Authors of H. J. Res. 194 and 207, who testified on those proposals, were Representatives Sisk and McCormack, respectively. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

SHIP CALL SELECTORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications resumed hearings on H. R. 4090, to require the installation of an automatic radio telegraph call selector on cargo ships of the United States carrying less than two radio operators for safety purposes. Testifying on the proposal today was Edward M. Webster, Federal Communications Commissioner. He is scheduled to return when the subcommittee resumes on the subject, Friday morning.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 5787, to authorize settlement of claims for residential structures heretofore erected at the expense of patients on the grounds of the Public Health Service hospital, Carville, La. Also approved 7 private claim bills and reported adversely on 2 others.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 heard the operating vice president of the New York Telephone Co., Wellington Powell, at today's hearing on bills relating to wiretapping legislation. The pending bills are H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5086. Hearings will be resumed next Monday morning.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: State governors testified at today's hearing on the national interstate highway program. Those heard were Walter J. Koehler, of Wisconsin; Robert F. Kennon, of Louisiana; Abraham A. Ribicoff, of Connecticut; Robert B. Meyner, of New Jersey; Fred Hall, of Kansas; Arthur B. Langlie, of Washington; and Victor E. Anderson, of Nebraska. Recessed until tomorrow morning when other State governors are scheduled to testify.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: The Moulder subcommittee resumed its interrogation of Mrs. Mildred Blauvelt, a detective on the New York City Police Force. The witness presented testimony at yesterday's session relating to Communist Party activities in the New York City area. She furnished a graphic account of many party functions, infiltration methods, and other actions from detailed reports which she has accumulated on the subject. The committee will continue its interrogation of Mrs. Blauvelt on Thursday at 10 a. m.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC WEAPONS PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Continuing its executive discussions of the atomic weapons program, the Military Applications Subcommittee heard testimony today from Acting Chairman Libby, Commissioners Murray and von Neumann, and General Manager Kenneth Fields, all of the Atomic Energy Commission. Subcommittee will meet again Tuesday, May 10.

Thursday, May 5, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on Interior appropriations, retirement pay for former Presidents, and 18 other measures.

House passed bill restoring rigid agricultural price supports.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5711–5723

Bills Introduced: 7 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1903 to S. 1909; and S. Con. Res. 32. Pages 5715–5716

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 614, authorizing Administrator of GSA to donate certain property to the American National Red Cross (S. Rept. 271);

S. 1007, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, regarding interstate compacts (S. Rept. 272);

S. 1727, authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Treasury Department (S. Rept. 273); and

S. 1006, authorizing reciprocal fire-protection agreements between Government agencies and public or private organizations, with amendments (S. Rept. 274). Page 5715

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 5711

President's Communication—Philippine Trade: Communication from President recommending enactment of legislation to permit revision of the 1946 Trade Agreement Between U. S. and the Philippine Republic, was received—referred to Committee on Finance. Pages 5711–5712

Interior Appropriations: Senate passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 5085, Interior Department appropriations for fiscal year 1956.

Senate insisted on its amendments to the bill, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Hayden, Chavez, Kilgore, Magnuson, Holland, Clements, Russell, Mundt, Young, Knowland, Thye, Dworshak, and Dirksen. Pages 5723–5730

Miscellaneous Measures Passed: Pursuant to previous announcement made, the following 19 measures were taken up on motion, and passed:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Boston tidewaters: H. R. 1816, declaring certain tidewaters in Fort Point Channel in the city of Boston to be nonnavigable;

Land transfer—Arizona: H. R. 1602, authorizing transfer by State of Arizona and town of Tempe, Ariz., of certain property;

Corps of Engineers employees: H. R. 4936, authorizing free subsistence and quarters to employees of

Corps of Engineers engaged on floating-plant operations; and

Coconino National Forest, Ariz.: H. R. 2679, to extend to additional lands the act to protect scenic values along Oak Creek Canyon and within Coconino National Forest, Ariz. (after Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs had been discharged from its further consideration).

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Aeronautical research: H. R. 2581, to promote national defense by authorizing construction of certain aeronautical research facilities by National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Smithsonian Institution: S. J. Res. 18, reappointment of Dr. Jerome Hunsaker as citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution; and

Historic property preservation: S. 732, to promote public cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of certain historic properties in the New York City area.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Retirement pay for former Presidents: S. 1516, providing retirement, clerical assistants, and free mailing privileges to former Presidents of the U. S.;

War-housing projects transfer: S. 755, authorizing conveyance of certain war-housing projects to the cities of Warwick and Hampton, Va.;

Veterans' housing loans: S. 654, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to extend authority of VA Administrator to make direct loans, and to make additional type of direct loans thereunder;

Marine war risk insurance: S. 741, to extend the marine war risk insurance provisions of the Merchant Marine Act;

Vessel inspections: S.743, Authorizing biennial inspection of the hulls and boilers of cargo vessels;

Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park: S. 1529, to revise the boundaries of the Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, S. Dak.;

D. C. judges' salaries: S. 727, to adjust salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals and D. C. municipal court;

D. C. officials' bonds: S. 391, providing for bonding of certain officers and employees of the D. C. government and for payment of premiums on such bonds by the D. C.;

Land transfer—Wyoming: S. 266, authorizing transfer of certain federally owned land to the State of Wyoming; and

Money orders: S. 1488, to place a time restriction on the payment of money orders.

Resolutions adopted: S. Con. Res. 16, to establish a joint committee to study aspects of the common system of air navigation in the U. S. ($125,000)—with committee amendments and with a Bridges amendment of a clarifying nature; and S. Con. Res. 24, relative to placing temporarily in the Capitol rotunda a statue of the late Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana—with committee amendment.

Bills indefinitely postponed: S. 52, 53, and 1507.

Pages 5731–5748

Civil Aeronautics: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 2225, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers. Pages 5746–5747

Alaskan Unemployment: Senate made its pending business S. 1650, to authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act. Page 5748

Nominations: Three civilian nominations were received, including that of William C. Kern, of Indiana, to be Federal Trade Commissioner, along with 749 in the Army, and 215 in the Navy. Pages 5752–5756

Recess: Recessed at 3:17 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on miscellaneous Army provisions of fiscal 1956 budget estimates for the Department of Defense, with testimony, as indicated, from the following Army witnesses:

Procurement and Production—Lt. Gen. Williston B. Palmer, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics;

Research and Development—Maj. Gen. Kenner F. Hertford, Chief of Research and Development;

Alaska Communication System—Col. Haskell H. Cleaves, Comptroller, Signal Corps; and

National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice—Col. Charles G. Rau, executive officer of the Board.

Hearings continue Tuesday, May 10.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for fiscal 1956, subcommittee received testimony today in behalf of funds for their departments, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

Veterans' Administration—H. V. Higley, Administrator; J. S. Patterson, Deputy Administrator; Dr. W. S. Middleton, Chief Medical Director, Department of Medicine and Surgery; E. O. Gardner, Assistant Deputy Administrator, Department of Insurance; and R. H. Stone, Deputy Administrator, Department of Veterans Benefits;

National Security Training Commission—Commissioners Warren H. Atherton and Adm. Thomas C. Kinkaid, and Director Edgar G. Shelton; and

Federal Communications Commission—Chairman George C. McConnaughey and other Commissioners.

Hearings continue Friday, May 13.

APPROPRIATIONS—JUSTICE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on Justice Department portions of H. R. 5502, State, Justice, and Judiciary appropriations for 1956, subcommittee today heard testimony on indicated items from the following departmental witnesses:

Internal Security Division funds—Assistant Attorney General W. F. Tompkins and Executive Assistant W. F. Foley;

Civil Division items—Assistant Attorney General W. E. Burger and Mrs. A. M. English, Administrative Assistant;

Immigration and Naturalization Service—Commissioner J. M. Swing, Assistant Commissioner E. A. Loughran, and A. L. Pilliod, Chief of Air Operations and Training;

Federal Prison System—Director James V. Bennett, and

On miscellaneous items—S. A. Andretta, Administrative Assistant Attorney General.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony, as follows, on indicated items:

On various projects for the State of California—Senators Knowland and Kuchel and numerous local witnesses;

On Stewart Canyon Dam, Santa Clara River, and Santa Paula Creek (California)—Representative Teague (California);

On Middle Creek project (California)—Representative Scudder;

On San Joaquin River Levees, New Hogan Dam, and New Melones Dam (California)—Representative Johnson (California);

On Rough River Reservoir, Green River Reservoir, Nolin Reservoir, and Kentucky River survey (all in Kentucky)—Senators Clements and Barkley, and Representatives Natcher, Watts, and Perkins.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

RESERVE OFFICERS' PERSONNEL ACT, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Adm. Thomas C. Kinkaid to be a member of the National Security Training Commission, and 292 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

Prior to this action, the committee held hearings on S. 1718, to provide certain clarifying and technical amendments to the Reserve Officers' Personnel Act of 1954, with testimony from the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. Melvin J. Maas, USMCR (retired), legislative adviser, and Col. Justice M. Chamber, both of Reserve Officers Association; Albert Pratt, Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Personnel and Reserves); David S. Smith, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Manpower and Personnel); Brig. Gen. Winston P. Wilson, Chief of Air Force Division, NGB, Air National Guard; Maj. Gen. Ellard A. Walsh, president, National Guard Association; Adm. W. W. Kenner, Chief of Officer Personnel, Coast Guard; Avis Bailey (lieutenant commander, Naval Reserve); and Louella Berg, American Association of University Women. Committee recessed subject to call.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Housing Subcommittee held a roundtable session to discuss informally housing problems which have arisen since enactment of the Housing Act of 1954. Participants today were Albert M. Cole, Administrator of HHFA, and Norman P. Mason, FHA Commissioner, both of whom were accompanied by their associates, Charles E. Slusser, Commissioner of Public Housing Administration; James W. Follin, Director, Division of Slum Clearance and Urban Redevelopment; and Ralph H. Stone, Deputy Administrator, and T. J. Sweeney, Loan Guaranty Division, both of the VA.

Subcommittee will continue Monday, May 9, when it will hear from public-interest groups.

SMALL-BUSINESS BILLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Small Business held hearings on the following bills: S. 16, to amend the Small Business Act of 1953 to provide that loans may be made to certain small-business concerns which have suffered a substantial economic injury as the result of drought; S. 381, National Investment Company Act of 1955; S. 383, Small Business Credit Act of 1955; and S. 150, 382, 1500, and 1802, all bills amending the Small Business Act of 1953. Testimony favoring enactment of S. 16 was heard from Senator Johnson of Texas on behalf of himself and Senator Daniel (cosponsors of the bill); and Edgar Taylor, county judge, Scurry County, Tex., and Milton Ramsey, county judge, Andrews County, Tex.

Testifying in general favor of those bills which would continue the operations of the Small Business Administration were Joseph P. Noonan, Smaller Business Association of New England; S. S. Parsons and S. R. Christopherson, both of Small Business of America, Inc.; and George J. Burger, National Federation of Independent Business.

Testimony generally in opposition to these bills was heard from Arthur F. Maxwell, president, First National Bank, Biddeford, Maine, representing the American Bankers Association.

Hearings continue Monday, May 9.

D. C. TEACHERS' PAY

Committee on the District of Columbia: Fiscal Affairs Subcommittee concluded its hearings on S. 1093 and S. 1505, D. C. teachers' pay adjustment bills, with testimony today, as follows:

Favoring S. 1093—Mrs. Henry A. Bartlett, president, Federation of Citizens Associations of D. C. (with reservations); Lyle W. Ashby, National Education Association; Mrs. Haskell Rosenblum, League of Women Voters for D. C. (with amendment); William C. Wise, Alice Deal Junior High School Home and School Association; and Mrs. John L. Speele, area council 6, PTA; and also testifying on behalf of the D. C. Board of Education were: C. Melvin Sharpe, President, D. C. Board of Education; Dr. Hobart M. Corning, Superintendent of D. C. Schools; and Rowland F. Kirks.

NOMINATION, AND OLYMPIC GAMES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, unanimously ordered favorably reported the nomination of Dr. James B. Conant to be Ambassador to Germany. The committee also approved for reporting S. J. Res. 51, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Winter Olympic Games at Squaw Valley, Calif.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee began hearings on President's proposed mutual security program, with general testimony in its behalf from Secretary of State Dulles.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Committee on Government Operations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 614, authorizing Administrator of GSA to donate certain property to the American National Red Cross; S. 1007, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, regarding interstate compacts; and S. 1727, authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Treasury Department; and with amendments S. 1006, authorizing reciprocal fire-protection agreements between Government agencies and public or private organizations.

HELLS CANYON PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Continuing its hearings on S. 1333, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Hells Canyon Dam on Snake River between Idaho and Oregon, the Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee heard testimony from the following opponents of the bill: Herbert Silbaugh, director, Idaho State Reclamation Association; William Holden, attorney for Upper Snake River Water Users Irrigation Co.; N. V. Sharpe, director of Committee of Nine; and C. Petrus Peterson, president, National Reclamation Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—TREATIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments continued its hearings on S. J. Res. 1, proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the legal effect of certain treaties and other international agreements. Favoring testimony today was heard from Mrs. James B. Patton and Gertrude Carraway, National Society, DAR; and Clarence Manion, attorney of South Bend, Ind. Testimony in opposition was heard from Attorney General Herbert Brownell; Philip Perlman, former Solicitor General; Dean Erwin Griswold, Harvard University; and Bethnel Webster, former president, Association of the Bar of the City of New York. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 10.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed bills to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Resident Commissioner Dr. A. Fernós-Isern; Fernando Sierra Berdecia, secretary of labor, San Juan, accompanied by Samuel Weiss, consultant to Puerto Rican government; Louis Brown, department of agriculture and labor, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands; David Dubinsky, president, International Ladies Garment Workers Union; R. H. Rowe, U. S. Wholesale Grocers' Association, Inc.; Stephen Sheridan, Vacuum Cleaner Manufacturers Association; William D. Donnelly, Seventh Day Adventist Church; Otis Ellis, National Oil Jobbers Council; William O. Quinlan, Associated Retail Bakers of America; and William T. Job, National Association of Ice Industries. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HEALTH FACILITIES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Health Subcommittee began hearings on S. 1323, to authorize a 5-year program of grants for construction of medical educational and research facilities, and part E of S. 434, assistance to medical and nursing schools. Witnesses heard today, all of whom urged enactment of S. 1323, were Dr. Vernon W. Lippard, dean of Yale University School of Medicine; Dr. Joseph C. Hinsey, director of New York Hospital—Cornell Medical Center; Dr. Walter A. Bloedorn, dean of George Washington University School of Medicine; Rev. James T. Hussey, S. J., president of Loyola University; Dr. Harold C. Wiggers, dean of Albany Medical College; Dr. Roscoe Pullen, University of Missouri School of Medicine; Dr. M. D. Kogel, dean of Albert Einstein School of Medicine, Yeshiva University; Chancellor L. A. Kimpton, University of Chicago; Dr. Norman Topping, vice president of University of Pennsylvania; Dr. George A. Wolf, dean of college of medicine, University of Vermont;

Oliver Carmichael, president of University of Alabama; and Dr. Howard A. Rusk, chairman, department of physical medicine and rehabilitation, New York University Bellevue Medical Center. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Committee met in executive session to consider S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, but took no actions and will continue its consideration tomorrow.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT POLICIES

Select Committee on Small Business: Military Procurement Subcommittee continued its hearings into Federal procurement policies and procedures which affect small business. Testimony was heard from John Bachman, Chairman of the Contract Finance Committee, Defense Department, who pointed out that Defense Department policy is to employ progress payments as a method of financing contracts, and that small business consistently receives this type of financing assistance. George C. Taylor, Assistant Director for Supply, AEC, stated that the Commission has its own small business program, that prime contractors have small business subcontractors in their own plants, and that in the AEC the major opportunity for small business lies in the subcontracting field.

Subcommittee also heard testimony with regard to the fields of research and development as they affect small business from Col. John M. Cone, Army; Capt. L. D. Coates, Navy; and Brig. Gen. B. S. Kelsey, Air Force.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 32 public bills, H. R. 6040–6071; 16 private bills, H. R. 6072–6087; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 301–303, H. Con. Res. 122 and 123, and H. Res. 235, were introduced. Pages 5814–5816

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 2225, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers (H. Rept. 486);

Three private bills, H. R. 1094, 2360, and 3867 (H. Repts. 487–489, respectively);

Disposition of Executive papers (H. Repts. 490 and 491);

H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad (H. Rept. 492);

H. R. 6042, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 493); and

Conference report on S. 1, the postal employees pay and classification adjustment bill (H. Rept. 494).

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Copper Imports: Passed H. R. 5695, to continue until the close of June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper. Pages 5756–5757

Trade Agreements: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooper, Dingell, Mills, Jenkins, and Simpson of Pennsylvania. Page 5757

Price Supports: Passed by a recapitulated vote of 206 yeas to 201 nays H. R. 12, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, with respect to price supports for basic commodities. Previously a recommittal motion had been rejected by a record vote of 199 yeas to 212 nays. A demand for a separate vote on the amendment eliminating peanuts from the list of basic commodities resulted in its rejection by a record vote of 193 yeas to 215 nays.

Adopted a committee amendment deleting provisions authorizing a domestic marketing certificate plan for wheat.

Also adopted an amendment designed to insure the extension of the brucellosis eradication program to June 30, 1958.

Rejected an amendment designed to increase the supports of dairy products to the same level as those of basic commodities.

Also rejected an amendment that sought to increase the supports for grain sorghum to 80–85 percent of parity.

The bill would restore the 90 percent of parity supports on five basic crops and fix the minimum level for support of dairy products at 80 percent of parity instead of 75 as provided at present. Pages 5757–5807

Order of Business: Calendar Wednesday business, in order on May 11, was dispensed with pursuant to a unanimous-consent request. Page 5807

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:37 p. m.

Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive consideration of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Testifying at today's session was Henry G. Hilken, custodial and foreign funds officer, Alien Property, Department of Justice. Recessed until Tuesday morning.

FOOD AND CLOTHING REPORT

Committee on Government Operations: The Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee held a public hearing for the consideration of the Food and Clothing Report of the Hoover Commission. Witnesses heard on the subject were John B. Hollister, Executive Director, Commission on Organization, Executive Branch of the Government; and Joseph P. Binne, Chairman of the Task Force on Food and Clothing. Recessed until Monday morning.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Officials of the State highway commission of the State of New Mexico testified at today's hearings on Federal-aid highway legislation. The witnesses were L. D. Wilson, chief highway engineer, and T. J. Heimann, chairman. A statement for the record was also filed on behalf of Gov. John F. Simms, Jr., of New Mexico. Recessed until Monday morning.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: The Moulder subcommittee continued its hearings on the subject of Communist Party activities in the New York area. Testifying and answering subcommittee interrogation for the third consecutive day was Mrs. Mildred Blauvelt, a detective on the New York City Police Force. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC-POWERED MERCHANT SHIP

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Research and Development held executive, followed by open, hearings today on the proposal for an atomic-powered merchant ship recently announced by President Eisenhower. Present to outline this plan to the subcommittee were representatives of the AEC and Maritime Administration.

TAX POLICY

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The Subcommittee on Tax Policy held an executive meeting.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 12 calendar bills.

House adopted conference report on Postal employees' pay and debated Alaskan-Hawaiian statehood.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 5829–5835

Bills Introduced: 11 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1910–S. 1920; and S. Con. Res. 33. **Pages 5831–5832**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 51, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Winter Olympic Games at Squaw Valley, Calif. (S. Rept. 275); and

S. 88, 430, 715, 1483, 1513, 1517, 1521, 1581, 1654, 1705, H. R. 872, 876, 881, 886, 888, 890, 921, 913, 911, 923, 924, 958, 971, 976, 984, 1008, 1009, 1020, 1048, 1130, 1166, 1177, 1192, 1196, 1203, 1220, 1346, 1351, 1490, 1501, 1502, 1511, 1638, 1645, 1665, 1679, 1885, 1906, 1957, 2087, 2261, 2276, 2279, 2289, 2346, 2348, 2354, 2361, 2731, 2762, 2764, 2941, 2954, 4043, S. 502, 1035, H. R. 957, 1012, 1142, 1328, H. J. Res. 211, and S. Con. Res. 33 (S. Repts. 276–347). **Page 5831**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 5828**

Alaskan Unemployment: Senate resumed consideration of, and passed without amendment, S. 1650, to authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act. **Pages 5836–5837**

Miscellaneous Bills Passed: 11 reported bills were taken up on motion, and passed, as follows:

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Fungible goods—CCC claims: H. R. 1831, to protect innocent purchasers of converted fungible goods from claims by the CCC.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Mineral lands: S. 748, to prohibit U. S. from acquiring mineral interests in lands acquired by it except when necessary to serve the purpose for which such lands are acquired;

Commodity exchange investigations: S. 1398, to strengthen the investigation provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act;

Swine loss reimbursement: S. 1133, authorizing payment for losses incurred in July 1954 in treatment of infected swine;

Red Cross donations—GSA: S. 614, authorizing Administrator of GSA to donate certain property to the American National Red Cross;

Interstate compacts—GSA: S. 1007, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, regarding interstate compacts.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Land transfer: S. 824, to authorize and direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands erroneously conveyed to the U. S.;

Desert entries—mineral lands: S. 265, to amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands so as to increase limitation on desert entries made under such acts to 320 acres;

Treasury administrative expenses: S. 1727, authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Treasury Department;

Fire protection: S. 1006, authorizing reciprocal fire-protection agreements between Government agencies and public or private organizations; and

Oil and gas compact: S. J. Res. 38, extending and renewing until September 1, 1959, the interstate compact to conserve oil and gas. Pages 5837–5844

Communist Prisoners—Income Tax Relief: S. 1653, for relief of members of Armed Forces in respect to payment of income taxes while held as prisoners by communistic-controlled authority, was taken from table and indefinitely postponed. Page 5839

Committee Expenditures: Senate made its pending business S. Res. 94, authorizing expenditure of $50,000 by Committee on the Judiciary (for the Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights). Page 5844

Treaties Received: Senate received the two following treaties, which were referred to Committee on Foreign Relations: Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation Between U. S. and Germany, together with a protocol and two exchanges of notes relating thereto, signed at Washington on October 29, 1954 (Exec. E, 84th Cong., 1st sess.); and Treaty of Mutual Understanding and Cooperation Between U. S. and Panama, and the memorandum of understandings reached, signed at Panama on January 25, 1955 (Exec. F, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). Pages 5835–5836

Confirmations: The nomination of James B. Conant, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, was confirmed, along with 4 nominations in the rank of general in the Air Force, 3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral, and numerous Army nominations. Page 5844

Recess: Recessed at 1:14 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL LOANS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: On Friday, May 6, in executive session, subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee S. 1755, to reduce interest rates from 5 to 3 percent on disaster loans.

Prior to approval of this bill, committee held hearings thereon and on S. 1764, an identical bill, with testimony favoring their enactment from Senator Thurmond; John C. Lynn, legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; Lail W. Schmidt, National Farmers Union; and Lloyd C. Halvorson, National Grange. Testimony in opposition to the bills was heard from Kenneth L. Scott, director, Agricultural Credit Services; and Robert B. McLeaish, Administrator, and Henry C. Smith, Deputy Administrator, both of the Farmers Home Administration.

APPROPRIATIONS—JUDICIARY

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, May 6, subcommittee held hearings on judiciary items in H. R. 5502, State, Justice, and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony from the following witnesses: Henry P. Chandler, Director, and John C. Brown, budget and accounting officer, both of the Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts; Judge Albert B. Maris, U. S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit; Chief Judge Bolitha J. Laws, U. S. District Court for the D. C.; and Judge Eugene Worthy, U. S. Court of Customs and Patent Appeals.

Hearings continue Tuesday, May 10.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

In behalf of funds for multiple-purpose development for the Apalachicola, Chattahoochee, and Flint Rivers—Representatives Pilcher, Forrester, Brown (Georgia), and Sikes, and local witnesses;

On Cal-Sag navigational project in Illinois—Senator Dirksen and local witnesses; and

On Buffalo Harbor navigational project—Senator Ives, Representative Miller (New York), and local witnesses.

On Friday, May 6, the subcommittee heard testimony, as follows:

On funds for continuation and development of the Arkansas River Basin project in Arkansas—Senator McClellan, Representatives Trimble and Hays (Arkansas), and local witnesses; and

In support of funds for the Missouri River Basin project—Governors Brunsdale of North Dakota, Foss of South Dakota, and Anderson of Nebraska, and local witnesses.

On Saturday, May 7, the subcommittee heard testimony in support of funds for the Hartwell Dam, Ga. and S. C., from Senators Johnston and Russell, Representatives Brown (Georgia) and Dorn (South Carolina), and local witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction began hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Franklin G. Floete, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Property and Installations); Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas; Assistant Secretary of the Navy Raymond H. Fogler; and Rear Adms. S. R. Clark and John R. Perry. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing continued its roundtable discussions on problems which have arisen since the enactment of the Housing Act of 1954. Participating in today's session were William L. C. Wheaton, Ira S. Robbins, and Lee F. Johnson, all of the National Housing Conference; Peter Henle, AFL; Ben Fischer, CIO; Wallace Campbell, Cooperative League of the U. S.; and Oliver C. Winston, National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials.

Representatives of the following groups were also present at today's session: American Association of Social Workers, Jewish War Veterans, National Association of Jewish Women, and National Council of Churches of Christ in America.

The subcommittee will begin its legislative hearings tomorrow.

SMALL-BUSINESS BILLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Small Business continued its hearings on proposed legislation affecting the Small Business Administration, with testimony from:

Senator Sparkman, who favored enactment of his bills S. 381, National Investment Company Act of 1955, S. 382, to amend the Small Business Act of 1953 regarding loans, and S. 383, Small Business Credit Act of 1955;

Senator Thye, who favored enactment of his bill S. 1500, to make the Small Business Administration a permanent agency; and

Wendell Barnes, Administrator of SBA, who favored a 2-year extension of the SBA and minor changes embodied in S. 1500.

Hearings continue Wednesday, May 11.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continuing its hearings on President's proposed mutual security program for 1955, committee heard testimony today in its behalf from Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Adm. Arthur W. Radford, who directed his remarks mainly to those portions of the bill over which the Department of Defense has primary cognizance.

Also testifying and answering questions of the committee was H. Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary of Defense.

On Friday, May 6, committee received testimony in support of the proposed program from Harold E. Stassen, Director of FOA.

Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

HELLS CANYON PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Friday, May 6, Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation concluded hearings on S. 1333, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Hells Canyon Dam on Snake River between Idaho and Oregon, with testimony in opposition to its enactment from John Tate, of Boise, Idaho, representing Mountain Home Reclamation Committee; W. Glen Sloan, consulting engineer, La Mesa, Calif.; Bernard Williams, of Boise, representing Morrison-Knudsen Co.; and R. P. Parry, of Twin Falls, representing Idaho Power Co. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

The nominations of John T. Williams to be U. S. marshal for western district of Tennessee, and Robert W. Oliver to be U. S. marshal for division No. 2, district of Alaska;

H. R. 1142, a private claim bill;

Seventy-one private immigration bills (S. 88, S. 430, S. 502, S. 715, S. 1035, S. 1483, S. 1513, S. 1517, S. 1521, S. 1581, S. 1654, S. 1705, H. R. 872, H. R. 876, H. R. 881, H. R. 886, H. R. 888, H. R. 890, H. R. 911, H. R. 913, H. R. 921, H. R. 923, H. R. 924, H. R. 957, H. R. 958, H. R. 971, H. R. 976, H. R. 984, H. R. 1008, H. R. 1009, H. R. 1012, H. R. 1020, H. R. 1048, H. R. 1130, H. R. 1166, H. R. 1177, H. R. 1192, H. R. 1196, H. R. 1203, H. R. 1220, H. R. 1328, H. R. 1346, H. R. 1351, H. R. 1490, H. R. 1501, H. R. 1502, H. R. 1511, H. R. 1638, H. R. 1645, H. R. 1665, H. R. 1679, H. R. 1885, H. R. 1906, H. R. 1957, H. R. 2087, H. R. 2261, H. R. 2276, H. R. 2279, H. R. 2289, H. R. 2346, H. R. 2348, H. R. 2354, H. R. 2361, H. R. 2731, H. R. 2762, H. R. 2764, H. R. 2941, H. R. 2954, H. R. 4043, H. J. Res. 211, and an original concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 33) on a deportation case).

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on 19 private immigration bills (S. 30, S. 41, S. 43, S. 80,

S. 186, S. 233, S. 237, S. 241, S. 294, S. 380, S. 468, S. 716, S. 739, S. 1046, S. 1080, S. 1205, S. 1448, S. 1719, H. R. 1045).

ANTISABOTAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, May 6, Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 681, sabotage prevention in defense plants in time of emergency, and heard testimony from Assistant Attorney General William F. Tompkins (Internal Security Division of Justice Department), who said that the proposed legislation is needed to prevent sabotage and would fill a gap in the legislative picture as to protection against subversive activities. Testifying against the bill were Walter J. Mason, member, national legislative committee, AFL, who recommended instead that a Presidential commission study existing security legislation to see what, if any, additional laws are necessary; Thomas E. Harris, associate general counsel, CIO, who recommended a study of the security problem, pointing out that the Government loyalty program is pending before the Supreme Court and until a decision is rendered thereon, the passage of similar legislation would be premature; and Bert Diamond, assistant general counsel, International Union of Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers, CIO, who opposed the bill on the same grounds that Mr. Harris had given.

Hearings continue Tuesday, May 10.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed bills to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony today from Isador Lubin, industrial commissioner, department of labor, State of New York; James Patton, president, National Farmers Union; Msgr. George Higgins, National Catholic Welfare Conference; and A. F. Hartung, president, International Woodworkers of America, CIO.

On Friday, May 6, testimony was heard from Thomas Hodgson, Minnesota Retail Federation; Lloyd W. King, American Textbooks Publishing Institute; Morton D. Epstein, South Jersey Men's Clothing Manufacturing & Contractors Association; Morton R. Levy, Pennsylvania Clothing Contractors Association; Leon Ginsberg, Clothing Manufacturers Association of U. S.; Charles Ballon, Affiliated Dress Manufacturers, Inc.; Milton J. Levy, National Coat and Suit Industry Recovery Board; Adolph P. Schuman, San Francisco Coat & Suit Manufacturers Association; Sylvan Geismar, Association of Shirt Manufacturers and Philadelphia Shirt and Pajamas Manufacturers; Samuel Sandhaus, Merchants Ladies Garment Association; and Dr. Lazare Teper, International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

HEALTH FACILITIES

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, May 6, Health Subcommittee concluded its hearings on S. 1323, to authorize a 5-year program of grants for construction of medical educational and research facilities, and part E of S. 434, assistance to medical and nursing schools. Testimony generally favoring S. 1323 was received from Senator Ives; Dr. D. S. Pankratz, dean of school of medicine of University of Mississippi (introduced by Senator Stennis); Frank L. Howley, vice chancellor, New York University, and Dr. Donal Sheehan, director, New York University Bellevue Medical Center; and Dr. Francis Forster, dean of medical college, Georegtown University.

Also favoring the bill, but with certain suggested amendments, were Dr. F. J. L. Blasingame, member, board of trustees, and Dr. Walter S. Wiggins, associate secretary, council on medical education and hospitals, both of the American Medical Association; Dr. J. S. Denslow, American Association of Osteopathic Colleges, representing American Osteopathic Association; and Dr. Ralph Creig and Dr. Shailer Peterson, both of American Dental Association.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Committee continued its executive consideration of S. 1048, authorizing appropriations for continued Federal aid to highway construction, but did not conclude its work and will meet again tomorrow.

Committee also considered this proposed legislation on Friday, May 6.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 38 public bills, H. R. 6088–6125; 12 private bills, H. R. 6126–6137; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 304 and 305, and H. Res. 236–239, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Forty-eight private bills—H. R. 926, 928, 962, 988, 990, 1060, 1217, 1218, 1311, 1406, 1407, 1408, 1461, 1503, 1504, 1508, 1651, 1869, 1897, 1935, 1962, 1964, 5456, H. Res. 208, 229, 230, H. R. 1145, 1415, 1495, 1912, 2338, 2528, 2768, 2769, 3024, 3194, 3268, 3354, 3964, 4198, 4902, 5389, 5494,

5633, 5634, 5635, 5809, and 5907 (H. Repts. 495–542, respectively);

H. R. 1802, authorizing the leasing of certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for historical and for park purposes, amended (H. Rept. 543);

H. R. 2682, relating to the exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation (H. Rept. 544);

H. R. 5223, to continue to June 30, 1956, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap, amended (H. Rept. 545);

H. R. 5300, authorizing the establishment of the City of Refuge National Historical Park in the Territory of Hawaii (H. Rept. 546);

H. R. 5376, elimination of limitations on rural electrification loan funds (H. Rept. 547);

H. R. 5877, to authorize certain administration expenses in the Treasury Department (H. Rept. 548);

H. R. 6015, to authorize the execution of agreements between agencies of the United States and other agencies and instrumentalities for mutual aid in fire protection (H. Rept. 549);

S. 941, relating to bulk purchase of Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation assets by Federal land banks (H. Rept. 550);

H. R. 1768, for the relief of the Jefferson and Plaquemines Drainage District and certain persons whose properties abut the Federal Government's right-of-way for Harvey Canal in Louisiana (H. Rept. 551);

H. R. 4514, to confer subpena power on Commodity Exchange Authority (H. Rept. 552);

H. R. 5650, Military Personnel and Civilian Employee's Claims Act of 1955 (H. Rept. 553);

H. R. 5787, to authorize settlement of claims for residential structures of patients at Public Health Service Hospital, Carville, La. (H. Rept. 554); and

H. R. 5417, to amend U. S. Code relative to the sale or pledge of postage stamps (H. Rept. 555).

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Interior Department Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5085, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Kirwan, Norrell, Sieminski, Magnuson, Cannon, Jensen, Fenton, Scrivner, and Taber.

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Postal Pay: By a rollcall vote of 328 yeas to 66 nays the House adopted the conference report on S. 1, the postal employees' pay and classification adjustment bill, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Previous to adoption a motion to recommit with instructions to the conferees to report a new bill was rejected by a record vote of 118 yeas to 275 nays. Pages 5846–5872

D. C. Legislation: The consideration of bills pertaining to the District of Columbia was in order and the House considered and passed the following three bills:

Roosevelt Memorial Association: H. R. 1806, to permit the Roosevelt Memorial Association to consolidate with Women's Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Association;

National Tax Association: H. R. 4909, to permit the consolidation of the National Tax Association with the Tax Institute, Inc., with committee amendments; and

Civic Auditorium: H. R. 1825, creating a Federal commission to formulate plans for the construction in the District of Columbia of a civic auditorium, with committee amendments.

Pursuant to a unanimous-consent request H. R. 2986, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court and the municipal court of appeals, was recommitted to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

Pages 5872–5877

Alaskan-Hawaiian Statehood: Adopted, 323 yeas to 66 nays, H. Res. 223, the rule providing 7 hours of debate on, and the limiting of amendments to, H. R. 2535, to admit Alaska and Hawaii into the Union on an equal footing with the original States. After 1 hour of debate the House deferred further action on the bill to Tuesday.

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Bills Referred: 11 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 5893

Civil Aeronautics: House adopted the conference report on H. R. 2225, to provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Pages 5888–5889

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:30 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MEXICAN FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings subcommittee held executive consideration today of H. R. 3822, to strike out termination date of December 31, 1955, with respect to title V of the Agricultural Act of 1949, which provides for recruitment of agricultural workers from the Republic of Mexico. Took no action and adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy subcommittee met with Dr. R. W. Bartlett, professor of agriculture economics, University of Illinois, during last Friday's discussion on various aspects and factors of the dairy situation. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

SALK VACCINE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held a hearing last Friday on H. R. 5599, to amend the Defense Production Act, in order to provide authority to allocate and

establish priority for Salk vaccine. Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General of the United States, explained the position of the U. S. Public Health Service on the subject.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Education and Labor: At last Friday's session on legislation proposing Federal assistance to States for school construction, the committee heard testimony from Dr. Erick Lindman, professor of education, Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn. Recessed until next Wednesday morning (May 11).

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee heard testimony today urging enactment of H. R. 412, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire lands, and construct, operate, and maintain the Fryingpan-Arkansas reclamation project in Colorado. The witnesses supporting the proposal were Representative Chenoweth, author of the bill; Fred G. Aandahl, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation; T. R. Whitmer, Office of the Solicitor, Department of the Interior; George E. Tomlinson, Assistant Chief of Project Development, Bureau of Reclamation; E. V. Lindsech, assistant regional director, Denver, Colo., Bureau of Reclamation; and B. F. Powell, area engineer, Pueblo, Colo., Bureau of Reclamation. Subcommittee recessed until Wednesday morning.

PUBLIC LANDS

Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee (last Friday) approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 1843, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain Federal property, situated around Lake Guernsey, Wyo., to Wyoming for military purpose use, with mineral rights, and right of reentry during a national emergency, reserved to the United States.

Also considered, but passed over without prejudice, H. R. 3120, promoting public cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of the Nation's important historic properties in the New York City area; and H. R. 4516, extending grazing lessees of public lands the right of compensation for losses sustained by them by reason of the use of the public domain or other property for war or national-defense purposes.

Testifying on H. R. 1843 were Representative Thomson of Wyoming (author of the bill); and Harold R. Hochmuth, Chief of the Lands Division, Bureau of Land Management. The witnesses on H. R. 3120 and 4516 were Herbert T. Kahles, Chief Historian of the National Park Service, and R. K. Pierson, assistant range officer, Bureau of Land Management, respectively.

SHIP CALL SELECTORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held further hearing, last Friday, on H. R. 4090, to require the installation of an automatic radio telegraph call selector on cargo ships of the United States carrying less than two radio operators for safety purposes. Completing his testimony on the subject was Edward M. Webster, member of the Federal Communication Commission. Also heard testimony from M. H. Strichartz, technical director, American Radio Association, CIO Maritime Committee. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 resumed its hearings on wiretapping. Bills pending on the subject were H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5086. Today's witness was Frank Hogan, assistant attorney for New York County. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard testimony on several private immigration bills today.

ESPIONAGE—BANKRUPTCY—IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered (last Friday) the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 1768, for the relief of the Jefferson and Plaquemines Drainage District and certain persons whose properties abut on the Federal Government's right-of-way for Harvey Canal in Louisiana;

H. R. 3786, to authorize the incorporation of Army and Navy Legion of Valor of United States of America;

H. R. 3813, to amend the act incorporating the American Legion so as to redefine eligibility for membership therein;

H. R. 3882, to require the registration of certain persons who have knowledge of, or have received instruction or assignment in, the espionage, counterespionage, or sabotage service or tactics of a foreign government or foreign political party;

H. R. 4754, to redefine eligibility for membership in AMVETS (American Veterans of World War II);

H. R. 4791, to amend section 40 of the Bankruptcy Act, so as to increase salaries for part-time and full-time referees;

H. R. 5417, to amend title 18, U. S. Code, relating to the sale or pledge of postage stamps;

H. R. 5650, to provide for the settlement of claims of military personnel and civilian employees of the Federal Government for damage to, or loss, destruction, capture, or abandonment of, personal property occurring incident to their service;

H. R. 5652, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army and Air Force;

H. R. 5787, to authorize settlement of claims for residential structures heretofore erected at the expense of patients on the grounds of the Public Health Service Hospital, Carville, La.; and

S. 734, to amend title 18, U. S. Code, to provide penalties for threats against the President-elect and the Vice President.

Also ordered reported 34 private immigration bills (26 of the House and 8 of the Senate); 25 private claims bills of the House; H. Con. Res. 110, favoring the granting of the status of permanent residence to certain aliens; and S. Con. Res. 17, amended, favoring the suspension of deportation of certain aliens.

Committee tabled three public bills, as follows—H. R. 4557, to amend the postal-service laws relating to publication of attachments; H. R. 4559, to amend title 28, U. S. Code, relating to publication of notice; and H. R. 4561, to amend section 28 of the Bankruptcy Act of 1938, relating to designation of newspapers. Also tabled 34 private immigration bills of the House and 3 private claim bills of the House.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Resumed hearings today in connection with Federal-aid legislation for highway construction. Witnesses were Robert Moses, New York coordinator for public works construction; and Mayor Roy Hofheinz, of Houston, Tex., who represented the Conference of Mayors. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning when representatives of the American Association of Highway Officials are scheduled to testify.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: The Moulder subcommittee completed hearings last Friday in connection with its study and investigation of Communist Party activities in the New York area. Mrs. Mildred Blauvelt, a New York City police detective, testifying for her fourth consecutive day, furnished information and lists of persons she knew as Communists which she had accumulated in her more than 8 years as a professed party member in Brooklyn. Testifying from notes, during counsel interrogation, Mrs. Blauvelt told of organization and membership drives, party infiltration of other associations, and fund-raising drives and the methods used in carrying out same.

Joint Committee Meetings

RADIATION STERILIZATION OF FOODS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Research and Development Subcommittee held hearings to review the current status of the radiation sterilization of foods project, a joint project of the Department of Defense and the Atomic Energy Commission for preserving foods. Testimony was heard from the following witnesses: Quartermaster General K. L. Hastings, Maj. Gen. K. F. Hertford, Col. W. D. Jackson, Capt. R. Pomerantz, and Dr. Ralph G. H. Siu, Office of the Quartermaster General, all of the Army; Dr. H. F. Krabill, Army Medical Nutrition Laboratory, Denver; and Charles Horner, Division of Reactor Development, AEC. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

AEC CONSTRUCTION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation continued in executive session to consider AEC's requests for construction of plant and procurement of equipment. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

ATOMIC WEAPONS PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Military Applications Subcommittee met in executive session to discuss with representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Defense details of an underwater atomic test to be held in the Western Pacific during mid-May. Chairman Jackson stated that "The subcommittee received assurances that this test will not create any hazards for the fishing industry, the inhabitants of the western coast of North America, or persons anywhere. The purpose of this test is to secure data useful in designing atomic weapons for antisubmarine defense. . . ."

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HIGHLIGHTS

House recommitted Alaskan-Hawaiian statehood bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 11, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for

fiscal 1956, the subcommittee heard testimony in behalf of funds for the Navy and Marine Corps from Vice Adm. James L. Holloway, Jr., Chief of Naval Personnel; Rear Adm. Edward W. Clexton, Deputy Comptroller; and Lt. Gen. R. McC. Pate, USMC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, with testimony, as follows:

In support of beach erosion and navigational projects in Connecticut—Senators Bush and Purtell, Representative Cretella, and local witnesses;

On Cleveland Harbor navigational project—Representatives Minshall and Vanik, and local witnesses;

On navigational project at St. Anthony Falls, Minn.—Representative Judd and local witnesses; and

With regard to a proposal in the Buford-Trenton and Lewis and Clark irrigation districts in headwaters of Garrison Dam, N. Dak.—Senator Young, Brig. Gen. W. E. Potter, Corps of Engineers, Army, and local witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—USIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5502, appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies for 1956, with testimony today on funds for the U. S. Information Agency from Theodore C. Streibert, Director, who was accompanied by his associates. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction continued its hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, with testimony from the following representatives of the Navy Department: Rear Adm. Robert E. Cronin, who testified for Rear Adm. A. G. Mumma, Chief of Bureau of Ships; Rear Adm. Joel Parks, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts; Rear Adm. S. R. Clark, Director of Shore Establishment Division, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; and Rear Adm. Paul D. Stroop, Bureau of Ordnance. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing began hearings on miscellaneous proposed housing legislation, with testimony from the following witnesses:

Senator Capehart, who testified in behalf of his bill S. 1501, Armed Services Housing Insurance Act of 1955; and

Albert M. Cole, Administrator, HHFA, Norman P. Mason, Commissioner, FHA, James W. Follin, Director, Division of Slum Clearance and Urban Redevelopment, HHFA, and Charles E. Slusser, Commissioner, PHA, all of whom testified generally in favor of S. 1800, to extend and clarify laws relating to improvement of housing, elimination of slums, and development of urban communities.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its hearings, this morning in executive session, on the President's proposed mutual security program for fiscal 1956, with further testimony from H. Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary of Defense. Mr. Hensel's testimony was in support of the authorization of $1.4 billion for the mutual defense assistance program. In afternoon open hearings, committee heard Representative Powell, who discussed his impressions as an observer at the recent Afro-Asian Conference held in Bandung.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION IN DEFENSE INDUSTRIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations resumed its hearings into problems of Communist infiltration in defense industries, with testimony from the following witnesses: Michael Sam, of Dunkirk, N. Y., United Steel Workers of America, CIO; James W. Glatis, Jamaica Plain, Mass., and Herman Thomas, Allentown, Pa., both of whom were formerly informants for the FBI; Charles Wojchowski, Dorchester, Masss., of Allis Chalmers Manufacturing Co., Hyde Park, Mass., who refused, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), to answer some questions of the subcommittee including those as to whether or not he is or ever has been a member of the Communist Party; and William V. Delos, of Amsterdam, N. Y., and Robert H. LaFortune, of Troy, N. Y., both of the General Electric Co. of Schenectady, both of whom were formerly members of the Communist Party.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee began hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act, with testimony today favoring enactment of S. 1853, to amend the Natural Gas Act with regard to the transportation and sale of natural gas in interstate commerce. Witnesses heard were Senator Fulbright, sponsor of the bill; Gen. Ernest O. Thompson, chairman of the Texas Railroad Commission; and David Searls, of Vinson, Elkins, Weems & Searls, Houston.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—TREATIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments resumed its hearings on S. J. Res. 1, proposing a constitutional amendment relating

to the legal effect of certain treaties and other international agreements. Testimony favoring enactment of this proposal was heard from W. L. McGrath, president of the Williamson Heater Co. Opposing this joint resolution were Lewin Wethered, AVC, and Jefferson Fordham, dean of the college of law, Pennsylvania University.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings, as follows:

On the nomination of James F. Brophy to be U. S. marshal for southern district of Georgia—with favoring testimony from W. B. Shartzer, chairman, Republican State Central Committee, Atlanta, and the nominee (in his own behalf); and opposing testimony from W. Roscoe Tucker, Republican committeeman, State of Georgia, James H. Crummey, Rochelle, Ga., and George Z. Brinson, of Savannah, Ga.; and

On the nomination of John S. Wood to be a member of the Subversive Activities Control Board—with favoring testimony from Representative Landrum and the nominee (in his own behalf); and opposing testimony from Royal W. France, Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, and William L. Patterson, Civil Rights Congress.

ANTISABOTAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee resumed its hearings on S. 681, sabotage prevention in defense plants in time of emergency, with testimony in opposition to the bill's enactment from Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., UAW, CIO; Joseph Amann, president, Engineers and Scientists of America; and Joseph P. Selly, American Communications Association. Mr. Selly refused to answer several questions of the subcommittee.

Hearings continue Friday, May 13.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, Subcommittee on Labor heard testimony today from Richard A. Lester, professor of economics, Princeton, N. J.; Mrs. Montrosa Frazier, National Council of Negro Women; Mrs. Marie D. Lane, American Public Welfare Association; George Donahue, Association of Catholic Trade Unionists; and Elizabeth Wickenden, American Association of Social Workers. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Committee continued in executive session to consider S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, but did not conclude its action thereon, recessing until Thursday, May 12, when it will have a clean print of the bill before it for final voting.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS ACT OF 1955

Committee on Rules and Administration: Continuing its hearings on S. 636, to revise the Federal elections laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections, Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections heard testimony from Warren E. Baker, General Counsel, Federal Communications Commission, who summarized the regulations under the Communications Act with regard to radio and TV time by political candidates, pointing out there is no requirement that free time be given any candidate, but if such time is given, then the same amount of time must be made available to any other candidate, and that the FCC will insist on fairness and equality as between all candidates and all parties; and from Warren Olney 3d, Assistant Attorney General (Criminal Division), accompanied by A. B. Caldwell and William J. O'Hear, both of civil rights section, who endorsed the bill generally, but suggested (1) more specific definition in S. 636 of "political committee" and "expenditures," (2) that perhaps duplication results from the requirement for filing of reports with both the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, and (3) that possibly section 304 of the bill barring expenditures by political candidates or committees from funds received from labor unions may be found to be unconstitutional in view of a recent Supreme Court decision in a CIO case under the Taft-Hartley Act. Hearings continue Thursday, May 12.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H. R. 6138–6157; 2 private bills, H. R. 6158 and 6159; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 240 and 241, were introduced.

Pages 5976, 5979, 5987

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Fourteen private bills, S. 128, 143, 163, 271, 386, 409, 416, 891, S. Con. Res. 17, H. Con. Res. 110, H. R. 1405, 1868, 1929, and 3972 (H. Repts. 556–569, respectively);

H. R. 3399, to lower Lighthouse Service retirement age (H. Rept. 570);

H. R. 5224, to authorize certain early discharges of enlisted personnel of Coast Guard, amended (H. Rept. 571);

H. R. 5875, providing involuntary retirement of certain officers in the Coast Guard, amended (H. Rept. 572);

H. R. 3786, incorporation of Army, Navy Legion of Valor of the United States of America (H. Rept. 573);

H. R. 3813, amending the American Legion charter (H. Rept. 574);

H. R. 4754, amending the AMVETS charter (H. Rept. 575);

Two private bills, S. 1271 and 1272 (H. Repts. 576 and 577, respectively);

S. 734, providing penalties for threats against the President-elect and Vice President (H. Rept. 578);

H. R. 4791, increasing salaries for part-time and full-time referees in bankruptcy (H. Rept. 579);

H. R. 6057, to extend the Doctors Draft Act and special pay for doctors (H. Rept. 580); and

H. Res. 241, waiving points of order against H. R. 6042, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 581).

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Alaskan-Hawaiian Statehood: By a record vote of 218 yeas to 170 nays, the House recommitted H. R. 2535, the Alaskan-Hawaiian statehood bill. Pages 5912–5976

Speaker Pro Tempore: Adopted H. Res. 240, electing Representative McCormack Speaker pro tempore to serve during the absence of the Speaker. Page 5979

Bills Referred: Seven Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 5986

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:34 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM RELIEF—ACREAGE ALLOTMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Completed a hearing on bills to provide relief to farmers and farmworkers suffering crop losses or loss of employment because of damage to crops caused by drought, flood, hail, frost, freeze, wind, insect infestation, plant disease, or other cause. Measures pending on this subject are H. R. 5521, 5576, 5579, 5615, 5666, and 5716. Also considered H. R. 5750 and 5800, to provide special acreage allotments in areas of general crop failure.

Sponsors of three of the relief bills, who testified today, were Representatives Selden, Sikes, and Deane. Other witnesses, speaking in support of the subject, were W. C. Capel, president of the Peach Growers Association of North Carolina; L. Y. Ballentine, North Carolina State commissioner of agriculture; Howard R. Harrison, Producers Credit Corp. of North Carolina; Dan Farrell, of North Carolina; C. C. Thompson, of Texas; J. W. Alderson, Jr., Forest City, Ark.; A. E. Bosham, editor, Wynne, Ark.; Logan H. Walker, West Texas Chamber of Commerce; and Max D. Carriker, of Texas.

Speaking in opposition to the proposed legislation was Earl M. Hughes, Administrator of the Commodity Stabilization Service, Department of Agriculture.

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Franklin G. Floete, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Properties and Installations, resumed his testimony today on H. R. 5700, the military public works bill. Hearings will continue tomorrow.

DOCTORS DRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House (in lieu of H. R. 2886) H. R. 6057, to extend to July 1, 1957, the authority to require the special registration, classification, and induction of certain medical, dental, and allied specialist groups; and to provide for the continuation of special pay for physicians, dentists, and veterinarians.

Also ordered reported S. 1271 and 1272, authorizing appointments in civilian positions in the Department of Justice of certain retired Army generals. Speaking in support of these two bills was Maj. Gen. Joseph M. Swing, Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

FOOD AND CLOTHING REPORT

Committee on Government Operations: The Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee resumed public hearings in connection with its study of the Food and Clothing Report of the Hoover Commission. The report on the consideration cited cases of oversupplies of food and equipment stored at depots throughout the country by the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Today's witnesses included John B. Hollister, Executive Director, Commission on Organization, Executive Branch of the Government; Thomas P. Pike, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Supply and Logistics; and Charles S. Thomas, Secretary of the Navy, who will resume at tomorrow's scheduled hearing.

PUBLIC POWER REGULATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources began hearings to study alleged changing of certain public power regulations by the Department of the Interior under Secretary Douglas McKay. Testimony was presented today by C. Girard Davidson, former Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Antitrust Subcommittee began its series of hearings on major antitrust problems today. Witnesses heard at this session were Senator Kefauver and Representative Patman. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the scheduled witnesses are Senator O'Mahoney and Representative Reuss. The hearing will be conducted in the Caucus Room of the Old House Office Building.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported favorably to the full committee seven private claim bills of the House. Also reported adversely on H. R. 479, providing that Federal compensation to the borough of Blairsville, Pa., for certain land and improvements thereon, shall include the replacement costs of such improvements.

VESSEL REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Marine and Fisheries: Began hearings in connection with its study of the vessel replacement program in the maritime industry. In conjunction with this subject, the committee is also considering H. R. 4118, relating to the computation of the 10-year recapture period with respect to operating differential subsidy contracts under the Merchant Marine Act; and H. R. 5959, to avoid block obsolescence of United States-flag merchant vessels. Witnesses testifying today were Arthur B. Poole, chairman of the vessel replacement committee, American Steamship Lines. Mr. Poole also read into the record the statement of C. C. Mallory, chairman of the Committee of American Steamship Lines. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Representatives of the American Association of State Highway Officials testified at today's public hearing on Federal-aid highway legislation. The witnesses were George T. McCoy, California State highway engineer, president of the association; D. C. Greer, Texas State highway engineer; and Frank C. Balfour, chairman of the association's committee of right-of-way. Other officials are scheduled to testify tomorrow morning.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule waiving points of order against H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriation bill for 1956. Representatives Mahon and Wigglesworth testified on the legislation.

GASOLINE DISTRIBUTION COMPLAINTS

Select Committee on Small Business: Roosevelt Subcommittee No. 5 resumed hearings in connection with its study of alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by major oil companies against retail gasoline-station operators. Charles J. Guzzo, vice president in charge of domestic marketing, Gulf Oil Co., and other officials of major oil companies, as well as miscellaneous Gulf Oil dealers, testified at the session. Adjourned until May 25.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC WEAPONS PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Military Applications met in executive session to hear Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Adm. Arthur W. Radford testify with regard to the relationship of nuclear weapons to our overall defense planning. Subcommittee will meet again Tuesday, May 17.

AEC CONSTRUCTION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation concluded its executive hearings to consider the requests of the Atomic Energy Commission for construction of plant and procurement of equipment.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Joint Committee on Reduction of Nonessential Federal Expenditures: Committee met in executive session for organizational purposes, and unanimously elected Senator Byrd its chairman and Representative Cannon as its vice chairman. Committee also outlined its program for this session. Committee adjourned subject to call.

Wednesday, May 11, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

By vote of 66 to 11, Senate cleared for President bill on postal pay increase.

House debated Defense Department appropriation bill.

Bill to establish a U. S. Merchant Marine Academy approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6016–6057

Bills Introduced: 39 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1921–S. 1959; S. J. Res. 70; and S. Res. 98. Pages 6024–6025, 6038

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1580, to increase per diem and subsistence allowance of Federal employees from $9 to $13 per day, and auto allowance from 7 to 10 cents per mile (S. Rept. 348);

S. Res. 35, providing for a study of merchant-marine training and education in the U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 349);

S. Res. 96, authorizing printing of additional copies of pamphlet entitled "Disposal of Government-Owned Communities at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Richland, Wash." (no written report); and

S. Res. 97, authorizing payment of gratuity to survivor of deceased Senate employee (no written report).

Pages 6023–6024

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 6016

Death Gratuity: Senate adopted S. 97, authorizing payment of gratuity to survivor of deceased Senate employee. Pages 6023–6024

Printing: S. Res. 96, authorizing printing of additional copies of pamphlet entitled "Disposal of Government-Owned Communities at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Richland, Wash.," was adopted. Page 6023

Patent Office: Senate adopted S. Res. 92, authorizing expenditure of $50,000 for examination and review of the administration of the Patent Office and statutes relating to patents, trademarks, and copyrights, after first agreeing to a committee amendment to the resolution. Pages 6084–6087

Constitutional Rights: S. Res. 94, authorizing expenditure of $50,000 by Committee on the Judiciary (for the Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights), was adopted. Pages 6087–6088

Postal Pay Increase: Senate adopted by 66 yeas to 11 nays, conference report on and so cleared for President, S. 1, Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955. Pages 6088–6092

Civil Service Commission: Senate adopted S. Res. 33, authorizing expenditure of $75,000 for investigation of administration of the Civil Service Commission, after first agreeing to reported amendments of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service, and then an additional reported amendment of the Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 6092

Winter Olympics: Senate made its pending business S. J. Res. 51, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Winter Olympic Games at Squaw Valley, Calif. Page 6092

Confirmations: The nomination of Adm. Thomas C. Kinkaid to be a member of the National Security Training Commission, and two judicial nominations were confirmed. Page 6106

Nominations: Senate received 4 civilian nominations, including that of Andrew Downey Orrick, of California, to be a member of the SEC, and 428 nominations in the Air Force. Pages 6104–6106

Recess: Recessed at 6:46 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony today on funds for aircraft and related procurement for the Department of the Navy from Vice Adm. Thomas S. Combs, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air); Rear Adm. Lloyd Harrison, Deputy and Assistant Chief, Bureau of Aeronautics; and Rear Adm. Edward W. Clexton, Office of the Comptroller. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony as follows:

Senator Bender and local witnesses on funds for survey for Lorain Harbor in Ohio;

Senator Barkley, Representative Perkins, and a local delegation on Big Sandy River survey, planning for Buckhorn Reservoir, and local protection work for the city of Jackson, Ky.;

Senators Schoeppel and Carlson, Representative George, and local witnesses on Toronto Dam construction and planning funds, and on funds for Strawn and Council Grove Dams, Kans.; and

Senators Goldwater and Hayden and Representative Rhodes on planning money for Whitton Ranch Reservoir, Ariz., and on planning and construction funds for Painted Rock Reservoir, Ariz.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—USIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5502, appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies for 1956, with further testimony today on funds for the U. S. Information Agency from Theodore C. Streibert, Director, accompanied by his associates. Hearings continue on funds for this agency on Tuesday, May 17, with testimony from outside witnesses.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction continued its hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, with further testimony on those provisions of the bill pertaining to the Navy from Rear Adm. Paul D. Stroop, Deputy Chief, Bureau of Ordnance; Rear Adm. C. S. Cooper, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Aeronautics (Materiel and Services); Rear Adm. M. E. Arnold, Deputy Chief of Naval Personnel; Rear Adm. J. S. Russell, Chief of Bureau of Aeronautics; Vice Adm. Austin K. Doyle, Chief of Naval Air Training; and Capt. R. S. Lamb, Office of the

Chief of Naval Operations. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Housing Subcommittee continued its hearings on miscellaneous housing bills (today on S. 789, 1022, 1412, 1642, 1501, 1524, 1565, 1744, and 1766), with further testimony from Albert M. Cole, Administrator, HHFA; Norman P. Mason, Commissioner, FHA; James W. Follin, Director, Division of Slum Clearance and Urban Redevelopment, HHFA; and Charles E. Slusser, Commissioner, PHA. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL-BUSINESS BILLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Small Business concluded open hearings on proposed legislation affecting the Small Business Administration, with testimony today from C. Canby Balderston, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, who opposed S. 383, Small Business Credit Act of 1955, and that portion of S. 381, National Investment Company Act of 1955, which requires the Federal Reserve System to administer the program.

INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AMENDMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee began hearings on H. R. 4725, to repeal sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, with testimony favoring enactment of the bill from Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey. Testimony in opposition to this bill was heard from J. S. Seidman, American Institute of Accountants; Jacquin D. Bierman, of J. K. Lasser & Co., New York; and Paul D. Seghers, Committee on Federal Tax Legislation, Federal Tax Forum, New York.

Committee also heard testimony from Senator Gore, who favored the repeal of the dividend credit and exclusion provisions of Public Law 591 of the 83d Congress (H. R. 8300).

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continuing its executive hearings on the President's proposed mutual security program for fiscal 1956, the committee heard testimony today with regard to Far East provisions of the bill from William J. Sebald, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs; and Raymond T. Moyer, Regional Director for the Far East, FOA.

Executive hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act (S. 712, 1248, 1853, and 1880), with testimony today from Dr. John Boatwright, economist for Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, and representing American Petroleum Institute, and Harold B. Fell, chairman, natural resources committee, United States Chamber of Commerce, both of whom favored enactment of S. 1853, to amend the Natural Gas Act with regard to the transportation and sale of natural gas in interstate commerce. Mr. Fell expressed his opposition to S. 1248 and S. 1880. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS—TREATIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Constitutional Amendments Subcommittee concluded its hearings on S. J. Res. 1, proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the legal effect of certain treaties and other international agreements, with testimony favoring its enactment from Mrs. Robert A. Murray, Vigilant Women for the Bricker Amendment, accompanied by Mrs. Lewis Barker; and George Finch, member, peace and law committee, American Bar Association. Testimony in opposition to this proposal was heard from former Representative Jacob Javits, attorney general for State of New York; and George P. Delaney, international representative, AFL.

Following today's hearing, the chairman announced that the record would remain open through May 18 for the inclusion of additional written statements.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee resumed its hearings today on problems of youth employment and the alleged lack of cooperation between schools and the U. S. Employment Service in providing proper counseling and guidance for graduate and dropout students. Witnesses heard were George Riley, of the AFL, who presented a background statement on the relationship of juvenile delinquency to youth employment, and urged that the age limit for employment of minors not be changed; Dr. Carl F. Hansen, Director of the D. C. Senior High Schools, and Dr. Charles Bish, representing McKinley High School, who spoke on general problems of guidance and counseling for job placement; Alice Shelden, Department of Attendance and Work Permits of the D. C., who also stressed the need for youth guidance and counseling, and discussed procedures used by her department in processing work permits; Theresa Alexander and Mildred Perry, codirectors of guidance and placement for the D. C. schools, who discussed the program of their department; and Fred Z. Hetzel, advisory member of the D. C. office, U. S. Employment Service, who testified on the youth employment problem as it affects his department. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Seymour Harris, New England Governors' Textile Committee; Elizabeth Magee, National Consumers League;

Julius A. Thomas and William H. Baldwin, both of the industrial relations department, National Urban League; Leon Kyserling, ADA; and Clarence Mitchell, NAACP. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 17.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. Res. 35, to provide for a study of merchant-marine training and education in the U. S. ($50,000); without amendment S. Res. 96, authorizing printing of additional copies of pamphlet entitled "Disposal of Government-Owned Communities at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Richland, Wash."; and an original resolution (S. Res. 97) authorizing payment of gratuity to survivor of deceased Senate employee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H. R. 6160–6183; 12 private bills, H. R. 6184–6195; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 242, were introduced. Pages 6168–6169

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 5462, authorizing the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act, amended (H. Rept. 582);

H. R. 2851, providing surplus farm commodities for relief distribution in certain areas, amended (H. Rept. 583);

H. R. 1762, sale of land to the city of Woodward, Okla., amended (H. Rept. 584); and

H. R. 6043, to provide for the maintenance of the Merchant Marine Academy (H. Rept. 585). Page 6168

Fungible Goods: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1831, to protect innocent purchasers of converted fungible goods, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Page 6108

Reserve Forces: By a division vote of 166 yeas to 12 nays the House adopted H. Res. 227, the open rule providing for 4 hours of debate on H. R. 5297, to provide for the strengthening of the Reserve Forces. The bill is tentatively scheduled for consideration on Tuesday next. Pages 6109–6112

Defense Department Appropriations: Adopted H. Res. 241, the rule waiving points of order against H. R. 6042, the Department of Defense appropriation bill for 1956, and debated the bill for nearly 2½ hours before deferring further action on the measure until Thursday. It was agreed to have 3 hours of general debate on the bill on Thursday. Pages 6108–6109, 6113–6134

Order of Business: The calling of the Consent Calendar was made in order on Tuesday next and Calendar Wednesday business, in order on May 18, was dispensed with. Page 6134

Committees to Sit: The Committees on Banking and Currency and Government Operations, and subcommittees thereof, were granted permission to sit during general debate on Thursday. Page 6134

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:33 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Continued hearings on H. R. 5700, the Military-Navy-Air Force public works bill. Franklin G. Floete, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Properties and Installation, completed his testimony on the general proposal today. Testifying on the Air Force section of the bill, following Mr. Floete, were James H. Douglas, Under Secretary of the Air Force; and Maj. Gen. Lee B. Washbourne, Assistant Chief of Staff for Air (Installations), who was accompanied by officers who assisted during the discussions. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES—JUDGES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 6063, to exempt certain House-Senate employees from D. C. motor-vehicle registration requirements and operators' licenses when they prove legal residence in some State; and

S. 727 (amended to include the revised provisions of H. R. 2986), to increase salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, municipal court, juvenile court, and the Tax Court.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met for executive discussion of future agenda of legislation on Federal assistance to States for school construction. In public hearing that followed, on the same subject, the committee heard testimony from Dr. Charles F. Carroll, North Carolina State superintendent of public instruction; and Ralph C. Swan, Pennsylvania State superintendent of public instruction. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

FOOD AND CLOTHING REPORT

Committee on Government Operations: Charles S. Thomas, Secretary of the Navy, resumed his testimony today before the Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee which is studying the Food and Clothing Report of the Hoover Commission. Alleged cases of oversupplies of food and equipment, stored at military depots throughout the country, were again under discussion. Following Secretary Thomas, the group heard Rear Adm. R. J. Arnold, Chief of Bureau of Supplies and Accounts (Navy). Recessed until tomorrow morning.

PUBLIC POWER REGULATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources continued hearings to study alleged changing of certain public power regulations by the Department of Interior under Secretary Douglas McKay. Testimony was presented today by Walter Seymour, former Director of the Division of Power, Department of the Interior. Hearings will resume tomorrow morning.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following measures reported to the House—

H. Res. 155, amended, providing $125,000 for investigations by the Committee on Education and Labor;

H. Res. 226, to provide 1,000 additional copies of Studies of Newsprint Expansion: Part II;

H. J. Res. 232, authorizing the erection of a statue as a memorial gift from the Government of Venezuela;

S. Con. Res. 24, placing in the Capitol a statue of the late Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana;

S. J. Res. 18, reappointing Dr. Jerome C. Hunsaker as citizen regent of the Smithsonian Institution; and

S. J. Res. 62, amended, dedicating the Custis-Lee Mansion, in Virginia, as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee resumed public hearings on H. R. 412, to authorize the Secretary of Interior to acquire lands, and to construct, operate, and maintain the Fryingpan-Arkansas reclamation project in Colorado. Proponents' testimony was received today from Ivan Crawford, director, Colorado Water Conservation Board; the following farmers—Roy Cooper, Los Animas, Colo.; Ted Ryan, Rocky Ford, Colo.; George Everett, Salida, Colo.; and Everett Marshall, La Junta, Colo.; representing organized labor—Fay Frazier, United Steel Workers of America, Pueblo, Colo.; George White, United Steel Workers of America, Pueblo, Colo.; Jack Morrison, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Pueblo, Colo.; and Leo Goodman, secretary, CIO's National Committee on Atomic Energy, Power, and Resource Development. Other proponents were Dan Hunter, Dove Creek, Colo.; Simon Elliot, consulting engineer for the water boards of Pueblo, Colo.; J. S. Nichols, superintendent of water division, Colorado Springs, Colo.; J. H. MacDonald, president, Colorado Savings & Trust Co., La Junta, Colo.; L. R. Patterson, assistant vice president, Public Service Co. of Colorado; William Porter, vice president, Southern Colorado Power Co.; James E. Kane, manager, Sangre de Cristo Electric Association, Salida, Colo.; Vance Austin, manager, Colorado State Association of REA Cooperatives, Denver, Colo.; Charles J. Fain, assistant general manager, National Rural Electric Association of Cooperatives; Charles A. Robinson, Jr., staff engineer, REA Cooperatives; Robert Moore, director, San Isabel Electric Cooperatives, Pueblo, Colo. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held executive consideration on H. R. 4560 and H. R. 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Recessed until next Tuesday on the subject

ANTIMONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: The Antimonopoly Subcommittee continued hearings relative to its study of major antitrust problems. Today's witnesses were Senator O'Mahoney and Representative Reuss. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning when testimony will be received from Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant United States Attorney General; Prof. Louis B. Schwartz, University of Pennsylvania; and Prof. Walter Adams, of Michigan State College.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered favorably reported to the full committee 48 private immigration bills (33 of the House and 15 of the Senate). Also reported adversely on 7 private immigration bills of the House.

TEXAS CITY DISASTER

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held a hearing on H. R. 4045, to establish the Texas City Claims Commission, composed of three members appointed by the President. Witnesses heard on the proposal were Representative Thompson of Texas, author of the bill; Warren E. Burger, Assistant U. S. Attorney General (Civil Division); Morton Liftin, Department of Justice; Senator Daniel, of Texas; Austin Y. Bryan, Jr., Houston, Tex.; Russell H. Markwell, Galveston, Tex.; and Judge T. R. Robinson, Galveston, Tex.

MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 6043, directing Federal maintenance of a Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N. Y., for instruction and preparation for service

in the merchant marine of persons nominated to the academy by Members of Congress. This bill supersedes the original measure on the subject (H. R. 3088).

VESSEL REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued public hearings in connection with its study of the vessel replacement program in the maritime industry. Also considered in conjunction with this subject were H. R. 4118, relating to the computation of the 10-year recapture period with respect to operating differential subsidy contracts under the Merchant Marine Act; and H. R. 5959, to avoid block obsolescence of United States-flag merchant vessels. Arthur B. Poole, chairman of the replacement committee, American Steamship Lines, completed his testimony today. Other witnesses heard at this session were Gerald E. Donovan, member of the replacement committee and vice president of the Moore-McCormack Lines; William Creighton Peet, a member of the replacement committee and vice president of the Oceanic Steamship Co.; Ted Westfall, vice president, Grace Lines (member); and C. B. Gibbons, vice president and treasurer, United States Lines (member). Recessed until tomorrow morning.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continued public hearings on Federal-aid highway legislation, receiving further testimony from representatives of the American Association of State Highway Officials. Today's witnesses were Gen. Frank Merrill, New Hampshire State commissioner of highways (vice president); R. H. Baldock, Oregon State highway engineer (member); and Rex M. Whitton, Missouri State highway chief engineer (member). Recessed until tomorrow morning when officials of the American Trucking Association and the National Grange are scheduled to testify.

Thursday, May 12, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House passed Department of Defense appropriation bill.

Senate committee approved Federal aid to highway construction bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, May 13, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

PROCESSING OF CCC COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 661, to authorize the CCC to process food commodities for donations under certain acts. Testimony in favor of the bill was heard from Senators Barkley and Clements (a statement by the latter being presented by his administrative assistant, Franklin B. Dryden); Representatives Jennings, Mollohan, Van Zandt, and Bray; John A. Baker, National Farmers Union; and George D. Riley, AFL. Testimony in opposition to the bill was heard from Walter C. Berger, Associate Administrator, Commodity Stabilization Service, and Howard P. Davis, Acting Director, Food Distribution Branch, Agricultural Marketing Service, both of the Agriculture Department.

Also testifying was Charles I. Schottland, Commissioner, Social Security Administration, who opposed amending S. 661 to provide requisitioning or distribution of surplus agricultural commodities by the Department of HEW.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, subcommittee heard further testimony in behalf of funds for various items for the Department of the Navy. Numerous witnesses testified, among whom were Rear Adm. Albert G. Mumma, Chief of Bureau of Ships; Rear Adm. Edward W. Clexton, Deputy Comptroller; Rear Adm. Frederick S. Withington, Chief of Bureau of Ordnance; Rear Adm. Bruce E. Bradley, Deputy and Assistant Chief, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery; Rear Adm. K. M. McManes, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations (Naval Reserve); and Rear Adm. J. R. Perry, Chief of Bureau of Yards and Docks. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, with testimony, as follows:

On Corpus Christi bridge, Port Aransas waterway (Corpus Christi), and Waco reservoir—with testimony from Senators Johnson and Daniel and local witnesses; and

On funds for Missouri River Valley development—with testimony from Senators Mundt, Case, and Sym-

ington, Representative Harrison (Nebraska), and local witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: The Real Estate and Military Construction Subcommittee continued its hearings on Navy provisions of S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations. Witnesses heard today were Assistant Secretary of the Navy Raymond H. Fogler; Rear Adm. J. S. Russell, Chief of Bureau of Aeronautics; Rear Adm. J. R. Perry, Chief of Bureau of Yards and Docks; Rear Adm. S. R. Clark, Director, Shore Establishment Division, Office of Chief of Naval Operations; Brig. Gen. Chester R. Allen, USMC; and Capts. R. S. Lamb and James V. Bewick, both of the Office of Chief of Naval Operations.

Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing continued its hearings on miscellaneous housing bills, with testimony as follows:

Senator Long and Patrick Healy, Jr., executive director, American Municipal Association, who favored enactment of S. 1524, to authorize extension of credit to assist municipalities or other political subdivisions of States to finance vitally needed public works;

Dr. Justin Andrews, Assistant Surgeon General, Department of HEW, who directed his testimony to S. 1565, to amend the National Housing Act with regard to smoke elimination and air-pollution prevention;

Kenneth L. Scott, Director, Agricultural Credit Services, Agriculture Department, and R. B. McLeaish, Administrator, and Henry C. Smith, Deputy Administrator, both of Farmers' Home Administration, whose testimony was directed to the bills S. 789 and S. 1022, both to amend title V of the Housing Act of 1949; and

Owen Kane, legislative attorney, Office of the Comptroller, GAO, who favored enactment of S. 1800, to extend and clarify laws relating to improvement of housing, elimination of slums, and development of urban communities, with suggested minor amendments, and opposed S. 1501, Armed Services Housing Insurance Act of 1955.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AMENDMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 4725, to repeal sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, with testimony from:

Senator Douglas, who favored the bill;

William J. Grede, NAM, Thomas L. Preston, Association of American Railroads, E. M. Fuller, American Cotton Manufacturers' Tax Committee, and J. Henry Landman, of New York City, all of whom opposed the bill;

William Herbert Danne, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, who favored retaining section 452 and amending section 462 to provide a method of transition;

Robert A. Seidel, Radio Corp. of America, and Fleming Bomar, AAA and affiliated clubs, both of whom favored retaining section 452;

Chester M. Edelmann, American Retail Federation, who urged modification rather than repeal of section 462; and

Charles W. Tye, National Association of Insurance Agents, Charles W. Stewart, Machinery and Allied Products Institute, Francis R. Cawley, Magazine Publishers' Association, Inc., and Herman E. Snoke, Manufacturers Association, Bridgeport, all of whom urged modification rather than outright repeal of sections 452 and 462.

Committee will consider this bill in executive session tomorrow.

MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its executive hearings on the President's proposed mutual-security program for fiscal year 1956, with further testimony regarding Far East provisions of the program from William J. Sebald, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs, and Raymond T. Moyer, Regional Director for the Far East, FOA. FOA Director Harold Stassen discussed with the committee the President's fund for Asian economic development. Testimony with regard to Near Eastern and African and South Asian provisions of the program was heard from George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian, and African Affairs, and Cedric A. Seager, Acting Regional Director for Near East, South Asia, and Africa, FOA. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held hearings, as follows:

On S. 27 and S. 51, relative to jurisdiction over criminal offenses or civil actions committed or arising on Indian reservations, with testimony favoring their enactment from Jess Stevens and Clarence Wesley, representing San Carlos Apache Indian Tribe, Arizona; Ruppert Parker and Sterling Mahone, both of the Hualapai Tribe, Arizona; and Iliff McKay and Charles Reavis, representing the Blackfeet Indians;

On S. 34, leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands in Arizona, with favoring testimony from the above representatives of the San Carlos Apache and Hualapai Tribes; and

On S. 621, long-term leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, and business purposes, with favoring testimony from the above representatives of the Blackfeet Tribe.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act (S. 712, 1248, 1853, 1880), the committee heard testimony today from John Merriam, Northern Natural Gas Co., Omaha; Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau Federation, Washington, D. C.; and Russell Brown, Independent Petroleum Association of America, all of whom favored enactment of S 1853, to amend the Natural Gas Act with regard to the transportation and sale of natural gas in interstate commerce.

A statement in opposition to enactment of S. 1853 was filed for the record by Senator McNamara.

Hearings continue Tuesday, May 17.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee began hearings on S. 1644, Federal Construction Contract Act of 1955, hearing testimony today, as indicated, from the following witnesses: Favoring the bill were Senator Sparkman; Paul M. Geary, National Electrical Contractors Association; Claude Detwieler, Twin Falls, Idaho; J. R. Meehan, Chicago; Ellis M. Fagan, Little Rock, Ark; Oliver F. Erickson, National Association of Plumbing Contractors, Washington, D. C.; J. W. Albright, Detroit; Charles W. Moseley, Charlotte, N. C.; E. H. Herzberg, Milwaukee; and Lester Brooker, president, Brooker Engineering Co. Opposing the bill were Brig. Gen. D. H. Tulley, Assistant Chief of Engineers for Military Construction, Defense Department, accompanied by Roger Fulling, Director of Construction, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Property and Installation), and Capt. J. J. Chew, Special Assistant to the Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks; Peter A. Strobel, Commissioner of Public Buildings, GSA; and John A. Derry, Director, Division of Construction and Supply, AEC, accompanied by William K. Maher, Departmental Director, Division of Construction and Supply, and Franklin N. Parks, attorney, Office of the General Counsel, AEC.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee continued its hearings, today on model programs for youth employment in the Detroit, Philadelphia, and Kansas City, Mo., areas. Prior to testimony on programs for these areas, Chairman Kefauver commented on the following projects: At Phoenix, Ariz., sponsored by the Sertoma Club; at Iowa City, Iowa, sponsored by the Iowa City Women's Club; on several Minnesota projects; on California projects at Sacramento, sponsored by the American Legion, and the cities of Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, and Glendale; and the Albuquerque, N. Mex., program and the Cleveland program.

Witnesses testifying today were as follows: Warren K. Layton, division of guidance and placement of the Detroit public school system, who discussed the job upgrading program in Detroit; Robert C. Taber, division of pupil personnel and guidance, Philadelphia Board of Education, who discussed the widespread and comprehensive school counseling program of his city; Mrs. Lillian Bliesner, Topeka, Kans., who discussed the State employment service program for summer jobs for teen-agers; Dr. Frank Sievers, American Guidance & Personnel Association, who discussed the psychological and sociological aspects of guidance and counseling as they relate to juvenile delinquency; and J. Dan Hull, Chief of the Secondary Section, Office of Education, Department of HEW, who discussed the broad aspects of work-experience programs and their relationship to juvenile delinquency.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways. As approved by the committee, the bill would:

(1) Provide for Federal expenditures of $12.58 billion over a 5-year period;

(2) Change the matching formula on the interstate system from 60–40 to 90–10 percent (Federal-State, respectively);

(3) Make the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act applicable to Federal-aid-to-highway contracts;

(4) Provide for Federal reimbursement for utility relocation; and

(5) Give consent of Congress for any two or more States to negotiate and enter into compacts for interstate toll roads.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 35 public bills, H. R. 6196–6230; 8 private bills, H. R. 6231–6238; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 124 and H. Res. 243, were introduced.

Pages 6250–6251

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 727, to increase salaries of judges of the D. C. Municipal Court of Appeals, Municipal Court, Juvenile Court, and the Tax Court (H. Rept. 586);

H. R. 5652, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army and Air Force (H. Rept. 587); and

H. R. 6063, to exempt certain House-Senate employees from D. C. motor-vehicle registration requirements and operators' licenses when they prove legal residence in some State (H. Rept. 588). Page 6250

Defense Department Appropriations: By a record vote of 384 yeas to no nays, the House passed H. R. 6042, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1956. A request for a separate vote on an amendment, submitted by Mr. Vinson, to delete language requiring congressional justification by the Department of Defense prior to disposal or transfer of work traditionally performed by civilian employees of the Department of Defense, resulted in its rejection by a vote of 184 yeas to 202 nays.

Adopted amendments designed to—

Make two installments of the $700 million to be covered into the Treasury from the Army stock fund;

Stop payment of rent on all recruiting space and to limit to 50 percent of current appropriation the amount to be allowed for all recruiting programs; and

Delete language requiring congressional justification by Defense Department prior to use of funds for the moving of any major permanent facility.

Rejected amendments that sought to—

Retain present level of Army, Navy, and Marine Corps personnel; and

Delete language barring payment of price differentials on contracts made for the purpose of relieving economic dislocations.

The bill authorizes appropriations totaling $31,488,206,000, which figure is $2,688,135,514 above the 1955 appropriation and $744,609,000 below the budget estimates. Pages 6195–6248

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:50 p. m.

Committee Meetings

GEORGIA—CATTLE—APPLES—TOBACCO

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2973, amended, directing the conveyance of a certain tract of land in Macon County to the Georgia State Board of Education;

H. R. 4576, directing Federal indemnification against loss, all persons in an amount equal to 50 percent, whose swine were destroyed under authority of law of July 1954 (contagious disease or vesicular exanthema);

H. R. 5188, to prohibit the publication by the Government of any prediction with respect to apple prices; and

S. J. Res. 60, to make Federal study of the various methods of marketing control which have been, or could be, made applicable to burley tobacco.

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Held further hearings on H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force public works bill. Maj. Gen. Lee B. Washbourne, Assistant Chief of Staff for Air (Installations), completed his testimony on the Air Force section of the bill. Other Air Force witnesses were Col. William G. Moore, Director of Operations; Col. Harold H. McCord, who discussed family housing; and Col. Daniel G. Welch, Bureau of Supplies. Recessed until Monday morning.

CALIFORNIA AIR PROJECT

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee approved Air Force Project No. 274, authorizing acquisition of fee title to Vultee-Consolidated Plant No. 2, San Diego, Calif.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Approved a clean bill, to be introduced in lieu of H. R. 2674, providing for regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, U. S. Surgeon General, is scheduled to discuss the Salk vaccine program, following executive discussion of the new bank holding company bill.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: At today's public hearing on the subject of proposed Federal assistance to States for school construction, the committee heard testimony from E. Ross Anderson, senior partner of Anderson, Nichols & Co., Boston, Mass.; and William J. Deegan, executive vice president, Structo Schools Corp., Boston, Mass. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

TOLL BRIDGE—OLYMPICS—COMMUNISM

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4630, to extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a toll bridge across the Rainy River, at or near Baudette, Minn.;

H. J. Res. 296, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the winter Olympic games in the United States at Squaw Valley, Calif.; and

H. Res. 183, requesting the Secretary of State to take action to carry out certain recommendations of the Select Committee on Communist Aggression, contained in its report made at the close of the 83d Congress.

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive marking up of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Testifying at the meeting today were Henry G. Hilken, intercustodial and foreign funds officer, Office of Alien Property, Department of Justice; Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; and Julius L. Katz, Office of Eastern European Affairs, Department of State. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FOOD AND CLOTHING REPORT

Committee on Government Operations: The Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee, which is studying the Food and Clothing Report of the Hoover Commission, heard

further testimony today from Charles S. Thomas, Secretary of the Navy, and Rear Adm. R. J. Arnold, Chief of Bureau of Supplies and Accounts (Navy), relating to its inquiry into alleged cases of oversupplies of food and equipment stored at military depots throughout the country. The group also heard testimony from Brig. Gen. Alfred B. Denniston, Deputy of Foreign Operations, Office of the Quartermaster General (Army). Recessed until tomorrow morning.

PUBLIC POWER REGULATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources resumed hearings to study cases of alleged changing of certain public power regulations by the Department of the Interior under Secretary Douglas McKay. Today's witness was Mastin White, former Solicitor of the Department of the Interior. Adjourned until next Wednesday morning.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee heard further testimony today in favor of H. R. 412, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire lands, and to construct, operate, and maintain the Fryingpan-Arkansas reclamation project in Colorado. The witnesses, all from Pueblo, Colo., were Charles H. Boustad, Damien Ducy, Harold H. Christy, and Charles J. Beise. Opposition to the proposal was also presented, by Orest Gerbaz, Pitkin County, Colo.; William Stapleton, Aspin, Colo.; Clinton B. Stewart, Aspin, Colo.; and L. K. Olson, attorney, of Washington, D. C. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Antitrust Subcommittee continued public hearings today and heard the following witnesses—Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant U. S. Attorney General; Prof. Louis B. Schwartz, University of Pennsylvania; and Prof. Walter Adams, of Michigan State College. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported to the full committee 7 private claim bills of the House, and reported adversely on 2 others.

VESSEL REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Marine and Fisheries: Continued hearings in connection with its study of the vessel replacement program in the maritime industry. In conjunction with this subject, the committee is also considering H. R. 4118, relating to the computation of the 10-year recapture period with respect to operating differential subsidy contracts under the Merchant Marine Act; and H. R. 5959, to avoid block obsolescence of United States-flag merchant vessels. Witnesses testifying today were Louis V. Pate, member of the technical committee, American Steamship Lines; Frank A. Menec, vice chairman of the committee on vessel replacement, and vice president of Lykes Bros. Steamship Co.; and C. C. Mallory, chairman, Committee on American Steamship Lines. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning, with brief executive session to precede hearing.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Witnesses heard at today's hearings on bills proposing Federal-aid highway legislation were Lloyd Halvorson, of the National Grange, and John U. Lawrence and William Bresnahan, of the American Trucking Association, Inc. Recessed until Monday morning when the Secretary of the Treasury, George M. Humphrey, is scheduled to testify.

Friday, May 13, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate began consideration of bill on agricultural conservation payments and passed 75 bills on call of calendar.

Bill to regulate bank holding companies approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6274–6295

Bills Introduced: 21 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1960–S. 1980; S. J. Res. 71 and S. Res. 99. **Page 6280**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, with amendments (S. Rept. 350); and

S. Con. Res. 31, providing for printing of 3,000 additional copies of 3 reports made to Senate by Committee on the Judiciary on its study of juvenile delinquency in the U. S., with amendment (no written report). **Pages 6279–6280**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 6274**

Juvenile Delinquency: S. Con. Res. 31, providing for printing of 3,000 additional copies of 3 reports made to Senate by Committee on the Judiciary on its study of

juvenile delinquency in the U. S., was adopted, after Senate agreed to committee amendment thereto.

Pages 6279–6280

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 75 bills, of which 73 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Private bills: 54 private bills: H. R. 872, 876, 881, 886, 888, 890, 921, 913, 911, 923, 924, 958, 971, 976, 984, 1008, 1009, 1020, 1048, 1130, 1166, 1177, 1192, 1196, 1203, 1220, 1346, 1351, 1490, 1501, 1502, 1511, 1638, 1645, 1665, 1679, 1885, 1906, 1957, 2087, 2261, 2276, 2279, 2289, 2346, 2348, 2354, 2361, 2731, 2762, 2764, 2941, 2954 and 4043.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Private bills: Five private bills: H. R. 1142, H. J. Res. 211, H. R. 957, 1012, and 1328.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Winter Olympics: S. J. Res. 51, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Winter Olympic Games at Squaw Valley, Calif.; and

Private bills: 12 private bills: S. 892, S. Con. Res. 33, S. 88, 430, 715, 1483, 1513, 1517, 1521, 1581, 1654, and 1705.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Mortgage contracts: S. 1645, to provide for extension of mortgage purchase contracts of FNMA for 6 months; and

Private bills: Two private bills: S. 502 and 1035.

Pages 6295–6302

REA: Statements made by members of Senate on the 20th anniversary of the Rural Electrification Administration were ordered to be compiled and printed as S. Doc. 42. Page 6280

Highway Construction: Authority was granted for the filing of minority views on S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways. Page 6279

Agricultural Conservation Payments: Senate took up, debated, and reached the following unanimous-consent agreement on H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments: On Tuesday, May 17, after conclusion of routine morning business, further debate on any amendment, motion, or appeal (except motion to lay on table) will be limited to 2 hours, equally divided, and debate on final passage of the bill will be limited to 2 hours, equally divided, with the proviso that no nongermane amendment will be received. Pages 6302, 6303–6320, 6328–6330

Nominations: Four civilian nominations were received, as well as that of Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor to be Army Chief of Staff, and 4,718 Navy nominations.

Pages 6330–6340

Recess: Recessed at 6:09 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, subcommittee heard further testimony on Navy items, as follows:

Research and development—Rear Adm. Frederick R. Firth, Chief of Naval Research;

Servicewide supply and finance—Rear Adm. Ralph J. Arnold, Chief of Bureau of Supplies and Accounts;

Navy stock fund—Rear Adm. Edward W. Clexton, Deputy Comptroller;

Servicewide operations, Navy—Rear Adm. George L. Russell, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations; and

Naval petroleum reserves—Capt. Albert S. Miller, Director, Naval Petroleum Reserves.

Hearings continue Tuesday, May 17.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

Senators Schoeppel and Carlson, who introduced local Kansas witnesses, some favoring and some opposing Tuttle Creek and Pomona Reservoir projects; and local witnesses who supported funds for Abilene and Topeka local protection works;

Local witnesses who supported planning funds for Pomme de Terre Reservoir in Missouri;

Senators Long and McClellan and local witnesses who supported navigational project on the Ouachita River in Arkansas and Louisiana;

Senators Johnson (Texas) and Daniel and local witnesses who supported funds for Guadalupe River, Galveston seawall, Colorado River, Gulf Intercoastal Waterway, and Trinity River, Tex., projects; and

Senator Langer and local witnesses in opposition to irrigation development from Garrison Reservoir and for the operation of Garrison Reservoir at elevation 1840.

Hearings continue Monday, May 16.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Real Estate and Military Construction Subcommittee, in executive session, concluded its hearings on the Navy title to S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations.

Subcommittee will continue on this bill Tuesday, May 17, hearing Secretary Stevens with regard to the Army title of the bill.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Housing Subcommittee continued its hearings on miscellaneous housing bills, with testimony, as follows:

James W. Rouse, member, board of governors, Mortgage Bankers Association, who favored most of the provisions of S. 1800, to extend and clarify laws relating to

improvement of housing, elimination of slums, and development of urban communities, but opposed certain provisions of this bill pertaining to public housing;

J. J. O'Malley and Harold P. Braman, both of National Savings and Loan League, who favored S. 1800 with suggested amendments which would make independent the Home Loan Bank Board;

Wallace J. Campbell, the Cooperative League, who recommended amendments to section 213 (cooperative housing) of the National Housing Act to liberalize the program for cooperative housing;

John K. Evans, the American Legion, who favored enactment of S. 1501, Armed Services Housing Insurance Act of 1955; and

Everett Emerson, of San Antonio, representing College and University Finance Associates, who appeared in opposition to S. 1744, to amend title IV of the Housing Act of 1950, regarding housing at educational institutions. Hearings continue Monday, May 16.

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Public Lands Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1031, to extend the authority of the American Battle Monuments Commission, with testimony favoring its enactment from Senator Potter, Representative Phillips, and Brig. Gen. Thomas North, Army, secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, took the following actions:

(1) Ordered favorably reported the nomination of Norman A. Kreckman to be collector of customs for customs collection district No. 8, with headquarters at Rochester, N. Y.;

(2) Appointed subcommittee (Senators Bennett, chairman, Williams, and Frear) for the consideration of H. R. 4182, a private bill; and

(3) Tabled H. R. 874 and H. R. 1995, private bills.

Also, the committee announced that on Tuesday, May 17, it will consider, in executive session, H. R. 4725, to repeal sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Continuing its executive hearings on the President's proposed mutual security program for fiscal 1956, the committee today heard testimony with regard to those provisions of the program affecting Europe from C. Burke Elbrick, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, and Stuart H. Van Dyke, Deputy Director, Office of European Operations, FOA. Hearings continue Monday, May 16.

ANTISABOTAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 681, sabotage prevention in defense plants in time of emergency, hearing opposition testimony from the following witnesses who suggested that in event the legislation is enacted, its terms and procedures should be more definitely defined: Mitchell Cooper, AVC; Eugene Fienblat, ADA; and Frank N. Hoffman, United Steelworkers of America, CIO. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 413, a private bill, with testimony favoring its enactment from Howard B. Vail, legal counselor, and Daniel Pattison, treasurer, both of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the USA. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

SUBCOMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment H. R. 5106, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to authorize loans for farm housing to be guaranteed or insured under the same terms and conditions as apply to residential housing; H. R. 5100, to amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care; and H. R. 5177, relating to transfer of lands in Richland County, S. C.; and with an amendment H. R. 5089, to extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 16, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 6227, providing for regulation of bank holding companies under the Federal Reserve System.

SALK VACCINE

Committee on Banking and Currency: U. S. Surgeon General Leonard A. Scheele returned today for further discussion of proposed legislation to provide authority to allocate and establish priorities for Salk vaccine.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued its hearings on legislation to provide Federal assistance to States for school construction, and heard testimony from William J. Deegan, executive vice president, Structo Schools Corp., Boston, Mass.; and Dr. Edgar Fuller, executive secretary, Chief, State School Officials. Recessed until Wednesday morning.

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held further executive marking up of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Meeting with the committee today was Sol Lindenbaum, Legal and Legislative Section, Office of Alien Property, Department of Justice. Recessed on the subject until next Tuesday. An executive session with John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, is scheduled for Monday afternoon, May 16.

FOOD AND CLOTHING REPORT

Committee on Government Operations: The Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee heard further testimony from Brig. Gen. Alfred B. Denniston, Deputy of Foreign Operations, Office of the Quartermaster General (Army). The subcommittee, which is studying the Food and Clothing Report of the Hoover Commission, has met with officials of the Defense Department during 4 days of hearings this week, to make inquiries into alleged cases of oversupplies of food and equipment stored in military depots all over the country. Other witnesses to testify today were Frank H. Higgins, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Logistics, Research, and Development); Maj. Gen. R. A. Anderson, U. S. Marine Corps; and Maj. Gen. George W. Mundy, Materiel Division, U. S. Air Force. Recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

MINES AND MINING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee approved reporting to the full committee H. R. 1844, as amended, to amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under the nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands in order to increase the limitation with respect to desert entries made under such act; and H. R. 4894, repealing laws authorizing sale of public lands which are valuable chiefly for timber and stone. Also considered, but passed over, H. R. 392, to provide for the return to the former owners of land all of the oil and gas and mineral interests acquired in connection with the Demopolis lock and dam project on the Tombigbee River.

C. R. Bradshaw, Acting Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior, testified in connection with the three bills considered today. Representative Thomson of Wyoming, author of H. R. 1844, spoke on behalf of that measure. Also heard on H. R. 4894 was Irving Senzel, staff assistant, Lands Office Division, Bureau of Land Management. Other witnesses heard on H. R. 392 were Representative Selden, author of the bill; Louis E. Hoffman, Minerals Staff Office, Bureau of Land Management; and Lawson B. Knott, Office of Chief Engineer, Department of the Army.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Senator Douglas, of Illinois, testified at today's public hearings which are being conducted by the Antitrust Subcommittee for the purpose of studying antitrust problems. Following Senator Douglas, the subcommittee heard further testimony from Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant U. S. Attorney General, who also testified at Wednesday's session. Recessed until Monday morning when Senator Morse, of Oregon, is scheduled as the first witness.

COPYRIGHTS—CRIME

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5876, amended, to amend the copyright law so as to permit, in certain classes or works, the deposit of photographs or other identifying reproductions in lieu of copies of published works; and H. R. 3233, to provide that it shall be a criminal offense to move or travel in interstate or foreign commerce with intent to avoid prosecution, or giving testimony, or custody, etc., after conviction, for arson punishable as a felony.

VESSEL REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Clarence G. Morse, Maritime Administrator, testified at today's session in connection with the committee's study of the vessel replacement program and the maritime industry. Two bills being considered at the same time are H. R. 4118, relating to the computation of the 10-year recapture period with respect to operating differential subsidy contracts under the Merchant Marine Act; and H. R. 5959, to avoid block obsolescence of United States-flag merchant vessels. Recessed until Monday morning.

ALUMINUM SHORTAGE

Select Committee on Small Business: Announced that Subcommittee No. 3 on Minerals and Raw Materials (Representative Yates, chairman), will conduct public hearings on current shortages and long-range problems in the aluminum industry. The sessions will begin on May 17 and continue through May 19, in 362 House Office Building (Caucus Room) at 10 a. m. each day. The hearings will be resumed on May 23, and continue through May 24.

Joint Committee Meetings

SUBCOMMITTEE PROGRAM

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: The Economic Stabilization Subcommittee met in executive session to consider its program, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

Monday, May 16, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House passed bill extending saline water conversion program.

Miscellaneous reclamation and mineral lands bills approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 17, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

On various projects in New Mexico—Senator Chavez and local witnesses;

On Plaquemine-Morgan City navigation project in Louisiana—local witnesses; and

On Arkansas River Basin project in Oklahoma—Senators Kerr and Monroney, Representative Edmondson, and local witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

STOCKPILING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on National Stockpile and Naval Petroleum Reserves met in executive session with regard to the proposed disposal of stocks of pyrethrum and totaquine now held in the national stockpile. The principal witness at today's session was A. J. Walsh, Commissioner of the Emergency Procurement Service, GSA. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Housing Subcommittee continued its hearings on miscellaneous housing bills, with testimony, as follows: From Dr. Raymond C. Magrath, Tufts College, representing American Council on Education, Hurst Anderson, American University, and Father Edward B. Bunn, Georgetown University, both representing Association of American Colleges, Dr. George F. Baughman, University of Florida, representing Association of Higher Education, NEA, and R. B. Stewart, Purdue University, representing Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities—all of whom favored enactment of S. 1744, to amend title IV of the Housing Act of 1950, regarding housing at educational institutions; Elenor M. Hadley, American Association of Social Workers, who favored enactment of S. 1412, providing for admission of elderly persons to federally assisted low-rent housing projects, and S. 1642, to establish a program for the housing of elderly persons of low income, and urged more liberal features for public housing in S. 1800, to extend and clarify laws relating to improvement of housing, elimination of slums, and development of urban communities; and H. Kenneth Kugel, vice president, who read a statement for Harry C. Ballman, executive secretary, both of Air Pollution Control Association, who favored enactment of S. 1565, to amend the National Housing Act with regard to smoke elimination and air-pollution prevention. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its executive hearings on the President's proposed mutual security program for fiscal 1956, with testimony, as follows:

On Latin America provisions of the program—Edward J. Sparks, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, and Marion N. Hardesty, Regional Director for Latin American Operations, FOA;

On special programs—Norman S. Paul, Deputy Director for Congressional Relations, FOA; David Wainhouse, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs, whose testimony related to U. N. Technical Assistance and U. N. Children's Fund; George Warren and Otis Mulliken, both of the State Department, who testified with regard to refugees and migrants; and William McCahon, FOA, whose testimony was with regard to ocean freight.

Hearings continue Wednesday, May 18.

SURPLUS PROPERTY, TRAVEL EXPENSES, AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

Committee on Government Operations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendment H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes, and S. 1795, to amend the Travel Expense Act of 1949, to provide an increased maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses; and without amendment S. 1805, to amend the Legisla-

tive Reorganization Act of 1946 to create a Joint Committee on the Budget.

VESSELS, NOMINATION, AND ANTIPOLIO VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. J. Res. 67, authorizing sale of certain vessels to Philippine citizens and to provide for rehabilitation of interisland commerce, and a routine nomination in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

The committee also discussed a matter pertaining to the Salk antipolio vaccine, but made no announcements.

WAR POWERS, AND NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 4052, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act of 1941; the nomination of William C. Farmer to be U. S. attorney for the district of Kansas; and an original resolution authorizing referral to the Court of Claims of S. 427, a private bill.

SALK ANTIPOLIO VACCINE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: The committee reconvened its meeting begun on Wednesday, May 4, to consider further problems arising out of the current Salk antipolio vaccine program. Testimony was heard today from HEW Secretary Hobby, who was accompanied by her associates, with regard to the report she submitted to the President today, which embraced recommendations to assure a fair and equitable distribution of the vaccine.

Committee recessed subject to call.

GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS IN D. C.

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 1290, to provide for the construction of certain Government buildings in the D. C.

Prior to approval of this bill, further hearings were held thereon, with testimony opposing its enactment from Morris Canfer, a D. C. attorney, and Charles J. Bauer, D. C. Building Owners & Managers Association. Testimony was also received from Harold L. Pearson, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget; and J. E. Moody, Assistant General Counsel, and Fred Poorman, Deputy Commissioner, Public Building Service, both of the GSA.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 40 public bills, H. R. 6239–6278; 7 private bills, H. R. 6279–6285; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 244 and 245, were introduced. Pages 6368–6369

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 6239, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia for fiscal year 1956 (filed on May 13) (H. Rept. 589);

Conference report on H. R. 5239, making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and the Farm Credit Administration (H. Rept. 590);

H. R. 4853, a private bill (H. Rept. 591); and

Report of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce entitled "Investigation of the Development of the Common System of Air Navigation and Traffic Control" (H. Rept. 592). Page 6368

Government Reorganization: Passed without amendment, and cleared for the President, S. 1763, providing for a 30-day extension and final liquidation of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government. Page 6352

Aeronautical Research: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2581, to promote national defense by authorizing construction of certain aeronautical research facilities by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, and thus cleared the legislation for Presidential action. Page 6352

Saline Water Conversion: By a voice vote the House passed without amendment H. R. 2126, relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters. This bill extends the saline water research program through fiscal year 1963, raises the amount to be appropriated for the program from $2 million to $6 million, and permits limited use of certain Government facilities.

H. Res. 231, the rule providing for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted earlier. Pages 6343–6358

Fire Protection: Passed, and thus cleared for the White House, S. 1006, authorizing reciprocal fire-protection agreements between Government agencies and public or private organizations. Tabled H. R. 6015, a similar House bill. Pages 6358–6360

Bills Referred: 16 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 6366–6367

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:47 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

ELECTIONS—TAXES—VETERANS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Subcommittee on the Judiciary approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 191, to regulate the election of delegates representing the District of Columbia to national political conventions; H. R. 2406, to provide that property transferred exclusively for public or municipal purposes, to the United States or the District of Columbia, or exclusively for charitable, educational, or religious purposes, shall be exempt from the District of Columbia inheritance and estate taxes; and H. R. 5375, to exempt from taxation certain property of the Jewish War Veterans, USA National Memorial, Inc., in the District of Columbia.

JOHN FOSTER DULLES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session for the purpose of hearing John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will resume executive marking up of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949.

MINERALS—PUBLIC LANDS—RECLAMATION—INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

S. 265 and H. R. 1844, as amended, to increase the limitation for agricultural entry of public lands withdrawn or classified as containing coal, phosphate, nitrate, potash, oil, gas, or asphaltic minerals, with respect to desert entries thereunder to 320 acres (now 160 acres);

S. 266 and H. R. 1843, as amended, to direct Federal transfer of certain property of the United States, situated around Lake Guernsey, Wyo., to Wyoming for military purposes, with mineral rights, and right of reentry during a national emergency, reserved to the United States;

H. R. 4663, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws;

H. R. 4802, to authorize the execution of mortgages and deeds of trust on individual Indian trust or restricted land;

H. R. 4894, to repeal laws authorizing sale of public lands which are valuable chiefly for timber and stone;

H. R. 5597, amended, to increase the public benefits from the national park system by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto; and

H. J. Res. 207, amended, to establish a Commission composed of seven members to represent the Federal, State, and city government, and known as the Boston National Historical Sites Commission, to determine, in and about Boston, what sites shall be preserved as national monuments, and to set up a program for so doing.

Also passed over without prejudice H. J. Res. 194, to designate the General Grant tree in Kings Canyon National Park, Calif., as a national shrine.

AIR NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Adopted the report and recommendations of the Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications, on the subject of the investigation of the development of the common system of air navigation and traffic control. The report will be filed today by the committee.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Antitrust Subcommittee heard testimony today from Senator Morse, of Oregon, in connection with its study of antitrust problems. Other witnesses heard were Thomac C. McConnell, attorney, Chicago, Ill.; Sigmund Timberg, attorney, Washington, D. C., and former Special Assistant to the Attorney General; and B. H. Ryan, of the Independent Bankers Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning when its first scheduled witness is Ray M. Gidney, Comptroller of the Currency.

ATOMIC POWER—MERCHANT SHIPS

Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Officials of the Atomic Energy Commission testified at today's hearings, which were conducted to discuss the present economic projects of developing atomic power plans for merchant ships. Witnesses testifying were Dr. W. Kenneth Davis, Director of the Reactor Division; and Rear Adm. Hyman G. Rickover, Chief, Naval Reactor Branch, Division of Reactors. Also heard testimony from M. L. Ireland, atom power engineer, representing the Newport News (Va.) Ship Building & Drydock Co. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will resume hearings on the vessel replacement program in the shipping industry.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey urged enactment today of H. R. 4260, the American National Interstate Highway Program. Recessed until tomorrow morning when its first

witness on the same subject is scheduled to be Joseph Campbell, U. S. Comptroller General.

PHILIPPINE TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Testimony urging reenactment of H. R. 6059, the Philippine Trade Agreements Revision Act of 1955, was received today from the following Federal officials—William J. Sebald, Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs; Earl L. Butz, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; and Samuel W. Anderson, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Affairs.

Other witnesses testifying on the proposal were Howard E. Smith, on behalf of the National Paint, Varnish & Lacquer Association; Merle D. Thompson, chairman, Philippine committee, National Foreign Trade Council; William E. Murray, president, Philippine American Chamber of Commerce; and J. C. Lanier, general counsel, Tobacco Association of United States, and Leaf Tobacco Exporters Association, Greenville, N. C.; accompanied by J. B. Hutson, president, Tobacco Associates, Inc., Washington, D. C.; and Randolph S. Taylor, executive secretary, Burley & Dark Leaf Tobacco Exporters Association, Inc., Washington, D. C.

Hearings were completed and an executive session on the measure will be conducted tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to receive a statement from AEC Commissioner Murray on atomic energy matters, but made no announcements.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and the Farm Credit Administration.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared Agriculture appropriations for President.

Senate passed bill on agricultural conservation payments.

House passed 105 miscellaneous bills and debated Reserve Forces bill.

Senate Interior Committee approved 12 miscellaneous bills.

Bill to extend Veterans' Administration loan authority cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6383–6426

Bills Introduced: 28 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1981–S. 2008; and S. Res. 100–102.

Pages 6390–6391, 6403–6405

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes, with amendments (S. Rept. 351);

S. 1805, to amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 by creating a Joint Committee on the Budget (S. Rept. 352);

S. 1795, to amend the Travel Expense Act of 1949, to provide an increased maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses, with amendment (S. Rept. 353);

H. R. 4052, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act of 1941 (S. Rept. 354);

S. Res. 102, referring S. 427, a private bill, to the U. S. Court of Claims (S. Rept. 355);

S. 33, relating to exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation (S. Rept. 356);

S. 51, relative to jurisdiction over criminal offenses or civil actions committed or arising on Indian reservations, with amendment (S. Rept. 357); and

S. J. Res. 67, authorizing sale of certain vessels to Philippine citizens and to provide for rehabilitation of interisland commerce, with amendments (S. Rept. 358).

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Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 6382

Agriculture Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 5239, appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal year 1956. Pages 6424–6426

Agricultural Conservation Payments: By voice vote, Senate passed H. R. 1573, to repeal section 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments, after rejecting by 35 yeas to 49 nays, modified Holland amendment (in the nature of a substitute), making ineligible for soil conservation payments any person knowingly harvesting any basic agricultural commodity on his farm which has been determined to be in excess of farm acreage allotment therefor. Pages 6426–6442

REA Loans: Senate took up and debated S. 153, to amend the Rural Electrification Act regarding unexpended or unobligated sums, adopting committee amendment.

Pending at recess was Humphrey amendment (in the nature of a substitute), establishing a formula for allocation of loans for rural electrification and allocating to REA Administrator 75 percent of all appropriated funds for carrying out the purposes of the act as contrasted with 50 percent at present. Pages 6447–6452

Confirmations: One civilian nomination was confirmed. Page 6455

Nominations: 13 Army nominations in the rank of general were received.

Recess: Recessed at 5:35 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—AIR FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony today from Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management) Lyle S. Garlock, who submitted a general presentation of the fiscal 1956 Air Force budget, and Assistant Secretary (Materiel) Roger Lewis, who discussed procurement and materiel policies in his department. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—HEALTH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare and related agencies, with testimony today on health provisions of the bill, as follows:

On mental health—Mike Corman, National Mental Health Committee; Dr. Nathan Kline, director of research, and Dr. T. M. Stanley, senior medical director, both of Rockland State Hospital, Orangeburg, N. Y.; Dr. Henry Brill, commissioner for research, New York State; and Dr. Frank Ayd, Jr., of Baltimore;

On cancer—Dr. Sidney Farber, Children's Hospital, Boston; Dr. Cornelius Rhoads, Sloan-Kettering Institute, New York City; and Dr. Charles Cameron, American Cancer Society, New York City; and

On neurology and blindness—Dr. Cornelius Traeger, Committee for Research in Neurological Diseases; and Mrs. Garvin Tankersley, Washington, D. C.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for 1956, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

On funds for the Interstate Commerce Commission—Chairman Richard F. Mitchell, Commissioner Everett Hutchinson, and Managing Director Edward F. Hamm, Jr.;

On funds for the Federal Power Commission—Chairman Jerome K. Kuykendall, Vice Chairman Seaborn L. Digby, Commissioner Frederick Stueck, and Executive Officer Henry R. Domers; and

On funds for the Civil Service Commission—Chairman Philip Young, and Commissioners George M. Moore and Frederick J. Lawton.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

On lower Mississippi Valley flood-control project—Senators Hennings, Kefauver, Long, and Stennis, and local witnesses;

On Cape Girardeau, Mo., flood-control project—local witnesses; and

On Big Sioux River, S. Dak.—Senators Mundt and Case (South Dakota), and local witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—USIA AND INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded hearings on H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies, with testimony today, as follows:

On funds for the U. S. Information Agency—Senator Smith (New Jersey); Eugene Castle, New York City; Walter Lemmon, president, accompanied by Zachary de Gaster, director of network operations, both of World-Wide Broadcasting System, Inc.; Luis Jose Almenar, president, Venezuelan Chamber of Radio and Television Broadcasters, Maria de Secarro Penon, and Jesus Manuel Diaz-Gonzalez, president, La Vos del Tachera radio station, covering extreme western Venezuela; and Emily Davie, editor of Profile of America;

On funds for the International Exchange Program—Dr. Hurst R. Anderson, president, American University, representing Association of American Colleges; Dr. Ivan Putnam, Jr., University of Florida, representing National Association of Foreign Student Advisers; Mrs. Portia F. Lewis, National Council of Negro Women; and Dr. Harvie Branscomb, Vanderbilt University, representing American Council of Education; and

On funds for commercial attachés, State Department—Harold Say, manager, Portland Chamber of Commerce.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction continued its hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, with testimony today on the Army title of the bill from Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens, and Col. W. R. Shuler, Chief of Construction Division, Office of Director of Installations, Office of Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics.

Hearings continue Friday, May 20, in executive session.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing continued its hearings on miscellaneous housing bills, with testimony from Henry G. Waltemade, National Association of Real Estate Boards, who testified generally in favor of S. 1800, to extend and clarify laws relating to improvement of housing, elimination of slums, and development of urban communities, but opposed any public housing legislation; Henry A. Bubb, U. S. Savings and Loan League, who favored proposed changes affecting the Savings and Loan League, and also favored an independent Home Loan Bank Board; Bernard Weitzer, Jewish War Veterans, who favored stronger implementation of laws on public housing, slum clearance, and urban renewal; and Arthur J. Packard, American Hotel Association, who favored safeguarding of multifamily housing laws by preventing construction of transient accommodations.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Small Business Subcommittee, in executive session, approved for reporting to the full committee a clean bill to extend the authority of the SBA for 2 years and for other purposes.

INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AMENDMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, by a vote of 15 to 0, ordered favorably reported with certain technical amendments H. R. 4725, providing for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Prior to approval of the bill, the committee, by a vote of 10 to 1, rejected an amendment, proposed by Senator Gore, to repeal the dividend exclusion and credit provisions of the 1954 code.

BRIEFING BY SECRETARY DULLES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to hear Secretary of State Dulles report on his recent trip to Paris and Vienna, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

GREAT LAKES FISHERIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries between U. S. and Canada (Exec. B, 84th Cong., 1st sess.).

Prior to this action, the subcommittee ordered this convention favorably reported to the full committee.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—S. 33, relating to exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation; S. 55, authorizing payment for interest in lands within the Coconino and Sitgreaves National Forests, Ariz.; S. 76, authorizing appropriations for construction, operation, and maintenance of the western land boundary fence project, U. S. and Mexico; S. 1464, to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber access roads; S. 1747, to increase the public benefits from the national park system by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto; and S. J. Res. 6, Boston National Historic Sites Commission; and

With amendment—S. 34, long-term leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, and business purposes (amendment substituted the provisions of S. 621); S. 51, relative to jurisdiction over criminal offenses or civil actions committed or arising on Indian reservations; S. 180, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma; S. 516, extension of the saline water program; S. 922, to extend further the program to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals; and H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act (S. 712, 1248, 1853, 1880), with testimony today, as follows:

Senator Long, who filed a statement in behalf of Gov. Robert F. Kennon, of Louisiana, favoring enactment of

S. 1853, to amend the Natural Gas Act with regard to the transportation and sale of natural gas in interstate commerce; and

Representative Vanik, Mayors Joseph C. Clark, of Philadelphia, John J. Moloney, of Covington, Ky., and Andrew Broaddus, of Louisville; C. A. Harrell, city manager of Cincinnati; and H. Lester Hooker, State corporation commission, Commonwealth of Virginia—all of whom opposed enactment of S. 1853. Filing a statement, also in opposition to this bill, was Dale H. Fillmore, corporation counsel, Dearborn, Mich.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Labor Subcommittee resumed its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, with testimony today from Dr. Emerson Schmidt, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Rowland Jones, president, accompanied by Rufus Poole, counsel, both of American Retail Federation; Arthur Upgran, dean of school of business, Dartmouth College; and Merwyn G. Bridenstine, professor of economics, University of Arkansas. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS ACT OF 1955

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections continued its hearings on S. 636, to revise the Federal elections laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections. Witnesses heard today were Clarence Mitchell, NAACP, who expressed the views of his association in opposition to poll taxes or other obstacles which may prevent voting by members of minority groups; and John Feikens, chairman, Republican State Central Committee in Michigan, who discussed with the subcommittee several election practices in his State which he believed to be in violation of the Corrupt Practices Act, and made recommendations to correct such practices.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H. R. 6286–6312; 13 private bills, H. R. 6313–6325; and 5 resolutions, H. J. Res. 306–308 and H. Res. 246 and 247, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 246, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5715, to extend authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to make direct loans, and to authorize the Administration to make additional types of direct loans thereunder (H. Rept. 593);

H. R. 4630, to extend the time for construction of a toll bridge across the Rainy River at or near Baudette, Minn. (H. Rept. 594);

H. J. Res. 296, inviting the International Olympic Committee to hold the winter Olympic games in the United States at Squaw Valley, Calif. (H. Rept. 595);

S. J. Res. 60, directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls (H. Rept. 596);

H. R. 2973, conveyance of certain land in Macon County, Ga., to the Georgia State Board of Education, amended (H. Rept. 597); and

H. R. 4576, indemnity for swine carcasses destroyed in vesicular exanthema program (H. Rept. 598).

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Agriculture Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on, and sent to the Senate, H. R. 5239, making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration for fiscal year 1956. Amendment No. 24, dealing with a limitation on administrative expenses of the Commodity Credit Corporation, was in disagreement; and on which the House voted to recede and concur therein.

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Private Bills: The following private bills were cleared for Presidential action by House concurrence in Senate amendments thereto: H. R. 957, 1012, 1328, and H. J. Res. 211.

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Swine Loss Reimbursement: Passed, and cleared for the White House, S. 1133, authorizing payment for losses incurred in July 1954 in treatment of infected swine.

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Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 128, 143, 163, 271, 386, 409, 416, 891, and 1705 (in lieu of H. R. 1311).

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. Con. Res. 98, 110, H. R. 899, 926, 928, 988, 1060, 1217, 1218, 1405, 1406, 1461, 1495, 1504, 1869, 1897, 1929, 2338, 2360, 2769, 3024, 3268, 3354, 3964, 5146, 5456, 5494, 5633, 5634, 5635, 5809, and 5907.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. Con. Res. 17, H. Con. Res. 99, H. R. 962, 990, 1034, 1145, 1407, 1408, 1415, 1503,

1508, 1651, 1868, 1912, 1935, 1962, 1964, 2528, 2768, 3194, 3867, 3972, 4198, 4853, 4902, and 5389.

Also concluded action on H. Res. 208, 229, and 230.

Recommitted: S. 1271, 1272, and H. R. 1206.

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Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar.

Cleared for the President:

Military property conveyance: S. 14 (passed in lieu of H. R. 489), authorizing conveyance of portion of Camp Mabry, Tex., to State of Texas.

Military property conveyance: S. 148 (passed in lieu of H. R. 755), authorizing conveyance of certain property at Camp Dodge, Polk County, Iowa, to the State of Iowa.

Military property conveyance: S. 653 (passed in lieu of H. R. 5170), providing for the conveyance of Jackson Barracks, La., to the State of Louisiana.

Threats against President-elect: S. 734, to provide penalties for threats against President-elect and Vice President.

Farm Mortgage Corporation assets: S. 941, to authorize the Federal land banks to purchase certain remaining assets of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Missouri toll charges: H. R. 625, to provide for the adjustment of tolls to be charged by the Wayland Special Road District No. 1 of Clark County, Mo., in the maintenance and operation of a toll bridge across the Des Moines River at or near St. Francisville, Mo.

Texas toll bridge: H. R. 2984, authorizing E. B. Reyna, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at or near Los Ebanos, Tex.

Indian mineral lands: H. R. 2682, relating to the exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation.

Legion of Valor: H. R. 3786, to incorporate the Army and Navy Legion of Valor of the United States.

American Legion: H. R. 3813, amending the American Legion charter to redefine eligibility of membership.

Fort Devens, Mass.: H. R. 3825, to make retrocession to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of jurisdiction over certain land in the vicinity of Fort Devens, Mass.

Flood control: H. R. 3878, amending the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood-control work.

Military supplies interchange: H. R. 4294, to amend section 640 of title 14, United States Code, concerning the interchange of supplies between the Armed Forces.

California land conveyance: H. R. 4359, to amend the act of September 30, 1950 (64 Stat. 1096), to provide for the conveyance of certain real property to the city of Richmond, Calif.

Fine Arts: H. R. 4534, to amend the act establishing a Commission on Fine Arts (this passage was subsequently vacated and S. 1413, a similar bill, passed in lieu).

Texas toll bridge: H. R. 4573, authorizing Gus A. Guerra, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at or near Rio Grande City, Tex.

Canal Zone fireworks: H. R. 4650, to amend the Canal Zone Code by the addition of provisions authorizing regulation of the sale and use of fireworks in the Canal Zone.

Subversive activities control: H. R. 4753 to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 to change the standard contained therein from 2 years to 3 years with respect to the past affiliation of individuals conducting the management of certain organizations.

AMVETS: H. R. 4754, amending the AMVETS charter to redefine eligibility of membership.

Hawaii: H. R. 5300, authorizing the establishment of the City of Refuge National Historical Park in the Territory of Hawaii.

Coast and Geodetic Survey: H. R. 5398, to increase the efficiency of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and for other purposes.

Public Health Service claims: H. R. 5787, to authorize settlement of claims for residential structures of patients at Public Health Service Hospital, Carville, La.

Foreign Service: H. R. 5841, to repeal the fee stamp requirement in the Foreign Service and amend section 1728 of the Revised Statutes, as amended.

State Department records: H. R. 5842, to repeal a service charge of 10 cents per sheet of 100 words, for making out and authenticating copies of records in the Department of State.

Merchant Marine Academy: H. R. 6043, to amend section 216 (b) of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended, to provide for the maintenance of the Merchant Marine Academy.

Sent to the Senate amended:

Alaskan unemployment: S. 1650 (passed in lieu of H. R. 5462), to authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act, and for other purposes.

Alaskan roads and trails: H. R. 245, to amend the act approved January 27, 1905, as amended (48 U. S. C., sec. 322).

University of Alaska: H. R. 603, to amend the act of January 21, 1929, which relates to the grant of additional land for the support and maintenance of the University of Alaska.

Indian land lease: H. R. 1802, to authorize the leasing of certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for historical and for park purposes.

Postal employees bonding: H. R. 4778, to provide for the purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department, contractors of the Department, and Armed Forces mail clerks.

Bankruptcy referees: H. R. 4791, increasing salaries of part-time and full-time referees in bankruptcy proceedings.

Coast Guard discharges: H. R. 5224, to authorize certain early discharges of enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard.

Postage stamps: H. R. 5417, to amend U. S. Code relative to the sale or pledge of postage stamps.

State Department firearms: H. R. 5860, authorizing certain officers and employees of the Department of State and the Foreign Service to carry firearms.

Passed over without prejudice:

NATO parliamentary conference: H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Conference.

Medal of Honor: H. R. 735, to provide $100 per month pension to holders of the Medal of Honor.

Oklahoma land conveyance: H. R. 1762, to provide for the conveyance of certain lands by the United States to the city of Woodward, Okla.

Louisiana drainage claims: H. R. 1768, for the relief of the Jefferson and Plaquemines Drainage District and certain persons whose properties abut the Federal Government's right-of-way for Harvey Canal in Louisiana.

Alaska water resources: H. R. 3990, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska.

Lighthouse Service retirement: H. R. 3399, to lower Lighthouse Service retirement age.

Commodity Exchange: H. R. 4514, to confer subpena power on Commodity Exchange Authority.

Alaskan Constitutional Convention: H. R. 5166, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska.

Rural electrification: H. R. 5376, elimination of limitations on rural electrification loan funds.

Passport fees: H. R. 5844, to increase the fee for executing an application for a passport from $1 to $3.

Coast Guard retirement: H. R. 5875, providing involuntary retirement of certain officers in the Coast Guard.

Recommitted:

Federal personnel claims: H. R. 5650, Military Personnel and Civilian Employees' Claims Act.

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Reserve Forces: After nearly 3 hours of debate on H. R. 5297, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces, the House deferred further action on the bill until Wednesday. One hour and seven minutes remain of the time allotted for general debate. Pages 6487–6513

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:55 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT

Committee on Agriculture: Began public hearings on H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration; and to increase borrower participation in the management and control of the Farm Credit System. Witnesses heard on the proposed legislation were R. B. Tootell, Governor of the Farm Credit Administration; Golden F. Fine, Chairman, Federal Farm Credit Board; Homer G. Smith, Deputy Governor and Director, Cooperative Bank Service; Harold A. Miles, Deputy Governor and Director, Short Term Credit Service; Thomas A. Maxwell, Deputy Governor and Director, Land Bank Service; and Jerry Voorhees, executive director, Cooperative League.

Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning when representatives of banking and financial associations and farm groups are scheduled to testify.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Completed the Air Force section of the measure today. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Secretary of the Navy Thomas is scheduled to testify in open session.

HOUSING—COINS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 5512, providing for the conveyance of certain property under the jurisdiction of the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to the State of Louisiana;

S. 755, authorizing the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Warwick, Va., and the city of Hampton, Va.; and

H. R. 619, amended, to provide that all United States currency shall bear the inscription "In God We Trust."

Representative Long spoke on behalf of his bill, H. R. 5512. Representative Robeson of Virginia testified in support of H. R. 3327, a companion bill which he introduced, identical with S. 755. Representative Bennett of Florida urged enactment of H. R. 619, of which he is author. Other witnesses heard on this measure were Representatives Harris, of Arkansas, and Eberharter.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will consider H. R. 521, to make the Small Business Administration a permanent Government agency, and other small business bills.

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Resumed executive marking up of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Testifying further

today was Sol Lindebaum, Legal and Legislative Section, Office of Alien Property, Department of Justice. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

TRAVEL EXPENSES

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization approved for reporting to the full committee a clean bill (H. R. 6295), to provide an increase in maximum per diem allowance—from $9 to $13—for subsistence and travel expenses. The bill will be considered by the full committee at its regular meeting scheduled for tomorrow morning.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee heard opponent witnesses today on H. R. 412, to authorize the Secretary of Interior to acquire lands, and to construct, operate, and maintain the Fryingpan-Arkansas reclamation project in Colorado.

Testifying against the bill's enactment were Northcutt Ely, special counsel, and Raymond Matthew, chief engineer, both of the Colorado River Board of California. The witnesses were interrogated in connection with their statements in an afternoon session. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met executively on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

SALK VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Announced that hearings would be conducted next Wednesday morning, May 25, on H. R. 6286, to authorize appropriation of $28 million to assist States in providing Salk vaccine for underprivileged children as immunization against poliomyelitis.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems heard the following witnesses at today's meeting—Ray M. Gidney, U. S. Comptroller of the Currency; Prof. Adolph A. Berle, of Columbia University; and Adolf Schimmel, senior legal counsel of the Motion Picture Association of America. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the subcommittee is scheduled to hear Henry Bison, of the National Association of Retail Grocers, and representatives of other trade organizations.

VESSEL REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed hearings in connection with its study of the vessel replacement program in the maritime industry. Two bills, being considered at the same time, are H. R. 4118, relating to the computation of the 10-year recapture period with respect to operating differential subsidy contracts under the Merchant Marine Act; and H. R. 5959, to avoid block obsolescence of United States-flag merchant vessels. Today's witnesses were James B. Stuart, president, American Tramp Shipowners Association; F. Riker Clark, president, American Foreign Steamship Corp.; L. R. Sanford, president, Shipbuilders Council of America; and Andrew Pettis, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers of America, CIO. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Joseph Campbell, U. S. Comptroller General, testified today on legislation proposing Federal aid for highway construction. Mr. Campbell was accompanied by Robert F. Keller, his assistant, and S. V. Haycock, attorney in the Office of the General Counsel, GAO. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning when representatives of the American Municipal Association are scheduled to testify.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: The Davis (Tennessee) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4362, authorizing modification of the existing flood-control project for Red River below Denison Dam. Testifying on the proposal were Representative Patman, its author; Representative Harris, of Arkansas, author of a similar bill (H. R. 4361); and Speaker of the House Rayburn. Local interested witnesses also testified.

Also considered, but took no action on, the Milwood Reservoir project located in Arkansas and Oklahoma. Representative Harris, of Arkansas, and local interested witnesses were heard in connection with this proposal.

VETERANS—DOCTORS DRAFT—PETROLEUM STUDY

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 5715, extending the Veterans' Administration direct loan authority. Speaking in support of the legislation were Representatives Teague of Texas, Rogers of Massachusetts, Edmondson, and Ayres.

Began consideration of a rule on H. R. 6057, the doctors military draft bill, and heard testimony from Representative Vinson. This subject will be resumed at a later date.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 212, to study oil supplies on the west coast.

PHILIPPINE TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session on H. R. 6059, the Philippine Trade Agreements Revision Act of 1955. Made no announcement, and adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ALUMINUM STUDY

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 3 on Minerals and Raw Materials began public hearings in connection with its study of current shortages and long-range problems in the aluminum industry. Today's witnesses were Prof. Leonard Emmerglick, Georgetown University Law School, Washington, D. C.; and Dewey Anderson, Washington, D. C., formerly executive director, Senate Small Business Committee. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC DEFENSE PLANNING

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Military Applications met in executive session to hear Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas and Adm. Robert B. Carney, Chief of Naval Operations, discuss the Navy's role in atomic defense planning. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow to hear Army Secretary Stevens and General Ridgway.

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HIGHLIGHTS

House worked on Reserve Forces bill.

Senate Agriculture Committee voted 8 to 7 to begin hearings on price support legislation.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 19, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, adopted, by a vote of 8 to 7, a motion providing that the committee will begin hearings on price support legislation (including H. R. 12, to amend the Agricultural Act of 1949 with respect to price supports for basic agricultural commodities) as soon as practicable, and that these hearings may be terminated at any time by a majority vote of the committee.

Also, the committee ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 1755, to reduce interest rates from 5 to 3 percent on disaster loans.

APPROPRIATIONS—AIR FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, subcommittee, in a morning session, heard general testimony on Air Force provisions of the bill from Trevor Gardner, Assistant Secretary for Research and Development; David S. Smith, Assistant Secretary for Manpower and Personnel; Maj. Gen. Kenneth B. Hobson, Director of Manpower and Organization, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations; Maj. Gen. Daniel F. Callahan, Deputy Assistant for Programing, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations; and Maj. Gen. Frank A. Bogart, Director of Budget, Deputy Chief of Staff, Comptroller.

In an afternoon session, the subcommittee heard testimony in behalf of funds for Air Force personnel from Brig. Gen. William S. Stone, Deputy Director of Personnel Planning, Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel.

Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for 1956, with testimony today in behalf of funds for the Federal Civil Defense Administration from Director Val Peterson, and in behalf of funds for the National Science Foundation from Director Alan Waterman, and Dr. Chester I. Barnard, Chairman of the National Science Board. Hearings continue Friday, May 20.

APPROPRIATIONS—HEALTH

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare and related agencies, with further testimony today on health provisions of the bill, as follows:

On arthritis and metabolic diseases—Dr. Hans Waine, medical director, New England chapter, Arthritis and Rheumatism Foundation; Dr. William Kammerer, president, New York Rheumatism Association; and Dr. Norman Jolliffe, nutrition section, New York City Health Department;

On heart disease—Dr. Paul White, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston; and Dr. Robert Wilkins, Massachusetts Memorial Hospital, Boston; and

On microbiology—Dr. Walsh McDermott, professor of public health and preventive medicine, Cornell University Medical College; and Dr. Rene J. Dubos, Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, New York.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on 1956 budget estimates for public works, with testimony today in support of projects in Texas and Louisiana, including that of the Red River Valley flood-control and navigation project, from Senators Long, Daniel, and Johnson (Texas), and local witnesses.

Also, the subcommittee heard testimony from Senator Monroney and local witnesses from Oklahoma and Arkansas in opposition to a High Reservoir at Millwood, Ark.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Civil Defense resumed its hearings, with testimony today from Representative Holifield, Mayor Robert Wagner, of New York City, and Mayor George Dempster, of Knoxville, Tenn. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Housing Subcommittee continued its hearings on miscellaneous proposed housing legislation, with testimony today, as follows:

Assistant Secretary of Defense Franklin G. Floete, accompanied by Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens, Under Secretary of the Navy Thomas S. Gates, Jr., and Under Secretary of the Air Force James H. Douglas—all of whom expressed the need for additional military housing facilities; and

John P. Robin, secretary, department of commerce, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; Mayor Joseph S. Clark, Jr., of Philadelphia, and Mayor Donald H. Mead, of Syracuse, both representing American Municipal Association; and Walter B. Mills, Jr., president, National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials—all of whom testified as to the need for additional facilities for public housing, slum clearance, and urban renewal.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. FAMILY COURT

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary met in executive session for the consideration of S. 1289, to establish a family court in and for the D. C., but took no final actions and recessed subject to call.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations began hearings with regard to certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, with testimony today from Maj. Gen. Robert P. Hollis, commanding general of the Quartermaster depot at Philadelphia, and formerly commanding general of ASTAPA, who submitted background testimony on procurement activities of the Quartermaster Corps and ASTAPA and explained regulations that have been put into effect with regard to receipt of gifts or gratuities from contractors. Other witnesses heard today were Melvin Carlin, CPA, and Ruth Picoult, both of Bonita Originals, Inc.; Marvin Rubin, a manufacturer's agent from New York City; and Julius Goldman, an inspector at the U. S. Navy Clothing Depot at Trenton, N. J. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MULTIPLE SURFACE USES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee began hearings on S. 1713, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, with testimony favoring its enactment from Raymond B. Holbrook, American Mining Congress; Edward Woozley, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Interior Department; Richard E. McArdle, Chief, Forest Service, Agriculture Department; Perry A. Thompson, on behalf of the sawmill company members of Western Lumber Manufacturers, Inc.; and W. D. Hagenstein, managing director, Industrial Forestry Association.

A statement for the record, also favoring this bill, was submitted by C. R. Gutermuth, Wildlife Management Institute.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act (S. 712, 1248, 1853, 1880), committee heard testimony today, as follows:

Senator Dirksen, who testified and also presented a statement in behalf of Gov. William G. Stratton, of Illinois, both favoring enactment of S. 1853, to amend the Natural Gas Act with regard to the transportation and sale of natural gas in interstate commerce; and

James R. Durfee, chairman, and H. J. O'Leary, both of the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin; Mayor Frank P. Zeidler, of Milwaukee; Mayor Donald H. Mead, of Syracuse; James H. Lee, assistant corporation counsel, Detroit; Mayor David L. Lawrence, of Pittsburgh; Mayor Anthony J. Celebrezze, of Cleveland; and Harry G. Slater, first assistant city attorney, Milwaukee—all of whom opposed enactment of S. 1853.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on S. 1644, Federal Construction Contract Act of 1955, hearing testimony today in opposition to the bill from Frank J. Rooney, president, Frank J. Rooney, Inc., Miami, Fla., and vice president, Associated General Contractors of America; Robert Moyer, Charles H. Tompkins Co., Washington, D. C.; R. A. Smith, P. J. Walker Co., Los Angeles; and E. D. Hoekstra, H. J. Ferguson Co., Cleveland.

Henry Glassie, Weaver & Glassie, Washington, D. C., testified in behalf of enactment of this bill.

Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor concluded its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act, hearing testimony today from Mrs. Aryness Joy Wickens, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Stuart Rothman, Solicitor, Labor Department, and Acting Commissioner of Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division, accompanied by Harold Nystrom and Harry Weiss; and Solomon Barkin, CIO committee on fair labor standards. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

POSTAL CLASSIFICATION RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Postal Rates began hearings on S. 1292, to readjust postal classification rates on educational and cultural materials, with testimony favoring its enactment from John Lorenz, assistant librarian, Michigan State Library, and representing American Library Association; Dr. Charles David, director of libraries, University of Pennsylvania, and representing Association of Research Libraries; Richard Berg, president of Eastern Music Educators Conference, and representing Music Educators National Conference; Fay Templeton Frisch, Music Teachers National Association; Paul Callaway, organist for the National Cathedral, and representing the American Guild of Organists; Dr. James McPherson, department of audio-visual instruction of the National Educational Association; Dan Lacy, representing American Book Publishers Council, and American Textbook Publishers Institute; and Dr. Arthur Traxler, Educational Records Bureau. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 23 public bills, H. R. 6326–6348; 17 private bills, H. R. 6349–6365; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 309, and H. Con. Res. 125 and 126, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 5188, to prohibit publication by the United States Government of any prediction with respect to apple prices, amended (H. Rept. 599);

H. R. 3758, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, regarding interstate compacts (H. Rept. 600); and

H. R. 3882, registration of certain persons trained in foreign espionage systems, amended (H. Rept. 601).

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Reserve Forces: Resumed the consideration of H. R. 5297, to provide for the strengthening of the Reserve Forces, and while in the Committee of the Whole, adopted an amendment, offered by Mr. Powell, designed to prevent exclusion or segregation on the basis of race, creed, or color in National Guard units.

Also adopted an amendment, offered by Mr. Bow, regarding the assignment of draftees to overseas installations in countries where American citizens are denied their constitutional rights.

Rejected an amendment, offered by Mr. Barden, to authorize 17-year-old and older boys attending school to volunteer for the Reserve program, with parents' consent, except in time of war or national emergency declared by Congress and to serve 3 months a year at a private's pay for 4 years, after which he will be placed in a Standby Reserve for 1 year.

Also rejected an amendment offered by Mr. Roosevelt, designed to cut the total time for active and Reserve duty from 8 years to 4 years.

The House will further consider the bill on Thursday.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:09 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration; and to increase borrowing participation in the management and control of the Farm Credit System. R. B. Tootell,

Governor of the Farm Credit Administration, returned today for interrogation in connection with his testimony of yesterday on the proposed legislation. Other witnesses, who followed, were R. N. Downie, president, Fidelity State Bank, Garden City, Kans., and George H. Stebbins, president, Sinsbury Bank & Trust Co., Sinsbury, Conn., both members of the American Bankers Association; R. R. Meek, El Campo, Tex.; and J. B. Chambers, Brownsville, Tex. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Held open hearing on H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Considered the section dealing with the Department of the Navy and heard testimony from Secretary of the Navy Charles S. Thomas; Rear Adm. S. R. Clark, Office of Chief of Naval Operations; and Rear Adm. J. R. Perry, Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began public hearings on H. R. 4525, and related bills, to make the Small Business Administration a permanent agency of Government. Wendell B. Barnes, Small Business Administrator, testified on the proposed legislation today and is scheduled to return for further testimony tomorrow morning.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed public hearings on legislation proposing Federal assistance to States for school construction programs. Today's witness was Dr. Francis Cornell, of the University of Illinois. Recessed until tomorrow morning when representatives of the AFL and CIO are scheduled to testify.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive consideration of the draft bill to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

COMPACTS—TRAVEL EXPENSES

Committee on Government Operations: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3758, to authorize the General Services Administrator to receive duplicate originals or duly authenticated copies of agreements or compacts entered into between States, and to take all necessary action for their preservation; and

H. R. 6295, to provide an increase in maximum per diem allowances—from $9 to $13—for subsistence and travel expenses.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS

Committee on House Administration: The Subcommittee on Elections concluded public hearings on H. R. 3084, to remove the restrictions placed on State employees and officers by the Hatch Act relating to political activities in elections for Federal officers; and H. Con. Res. 94, favoring the waiver of State residence requirements in certain elections. Also started hearings on H. R. 3139, to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections. Testifying at the session were Representative Curtis of Massachusetts, author of H. Con. Res. 94; Representative Beamer, author of H. R. 3084; and Representative Udall, author of H. R. 3139. Two witnesses, heard on all measures, were Pierce Gerety, Chief Counsel of the Civil Service Commission, and Larry Meloy, Assistant Counsel. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Following today's executive session on proposed bills to amend the Natural Gas Act, Chairman Priest announced that the following amendment was adopted by adding new subsections on page 3, after line 7, in H. R. 4560, a bill to exempt certain producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulation—

When an increase in any rate or charge for natural gas, filed with the Commission by a natural-gas company after the date this paragraph takes effect, is based in whole or in part on an increase in price under the provisions of an escalation clause in any contract, other than a contract to which subsection (b) applies, for the purchase of natural gas from a person other than an affiliate, the Commission shall determine whether the price as so increased is in excess of the reasonable market price (determined as provided in subsection (b)) of the natural gas in the field where produced. When the Commission has made such determination, the natural-gas company may charge as an operating expense for natural gas purchased under the contract only such part of the increase in price as results in a price which does not exceed such reasonable market price.

As used in this section, the term "escalation clause" means any provision in a contract for the purchase of natural gas the operation of which may result in an increase in the price of the natural gas sold under the contract, but such term does not include (1) any provision for increases, by specific amounts, in the price of the natural gas at definite dates in the future, or (2) any provision under which the natural-gas company agrees to reimburse the seller of the gas for any increase in taxes which may be levied upon such seller after a specified date.

Recessed until tomorrow morning for further executive study.

TERRITORIAL BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien (New York) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3636, a private land patent issuance bill in Honolulu, T. H. Also passed over without prejudice H. R. 4920, to provide for the review and

determination of claims for the return of lands in the Territory of Hawaii conveyed to the Government during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry. Delegate Farrington, author of the bills, testified along with A. M. Edwards, Associate Solicitor, Department of the Interior, on both proposals.

The subcommittee also heard testimony on H. R. 610, to provide for the hospitalization and care of the mentally ill of Alaska, and related bills. Witnesses appearing were Anthony T. Lausi, Deputy Director of the Office of Territories; B. Frank Heintzleman, Governor of Alaska; Dr. Jack Haldeman, Chief, Division of General Health Services, Public Health Service; Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent, St. Elizabeths Hospital; Miss Gladys Harrison, Assistant General Counsel, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; Dr. Charles L. Anderson, Chief of Mental Health, Alaska Department of Health; Myrl E. Alexander, Assistant Director, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice; Wayne Coe, president and owner, Morningside Hospital, Portland, Oreg.; and Henry Coe, general manager of the same hospital. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Representatives of trade and business organizations testified today before the committee on antitrust problems. Witnesses heard were Henry Bison, National Association of Retail Grocers; Watson Rogers, National Food Brokers Association; George Frates, National Association of Retail Druggists; and George Burger, National Federation of Independent Business. Subcommittee adjourned until Monday morning.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported favorably to the full committee three private claims bills of the House and reported adversely on two others.

VESSEL REPLACEMENT PROGRAM

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Concluded public hearings in connection with its study of the vessel replacement program in the maritime industry. Two bills being considered at the same time were H. R. 4118, relating to the computation of the 10-year recapture period with respect to operating differential subsidy contracts under the Merchant Marine Act; and H. R. 5959, to avoid block obsolescence of United States-flag merchant vessels. Final witnesses to testify were George Morgan, president, Association of American Shipowners; and Owen Kane, legislative attorney, General Accounting Office.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continued public hearings relative to its study of Federal-aid highway construction. Witnesses testifying today were Mayor Allen Thompson, Jackson, Miss.; Mayor Albert E. Cobo, Detroit, Mich.; Mayor Anthony J. Celebrezze, Cleveland, Ohio; and Glen C. Richards, Detroit (Mich.) public works commissioner. A statement for the record was also filed by Ezra C. Knowlton, executive vice president, Utah Sand & Gravel Products Corp., Salt Lake City, Utah, representing the National Sand & Gravel Association and National Ready Mixed Concrete Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

VETERANS' CLAIMS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Administration held hearings today on H. R. 4327, to allow certain veterans to file claims for mustering-out payments prior to July 16, 1955, and other miscellaneous bills. Witnesses heard were Representatives Matthews, Cretella, and Karsten; Rocco C. Siciliano, Assistant Secretary of Labor; Col. William H. Ward, Jr., Office of the Judge Advocate General, Department of the Air Force; Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Veterans' Administrator for Legislation; Miles D. Kennedy, Charles W. Stevens, and John Mears, representing the American Legion; and Adin M. Downer, of the VFW.

ALUMINUM STUDY

Select Committee on Small Business: Continued hearings in connection with its study of current shortages and long-range problems in the aluminum industry. Testimony was received today from Carl Burton, Aluminum Research Institute, Chicago, Ill.; Rogers Widing, president, Jarl Extrusions, Inc., East Rochester, N. Y.; M. H. Champion, president, A. R. K. Manufacturing Co., Oklahoma City, Okla.; Doule N. May, May, Inc., Houston, Tex.; and Richard Pickens, of Dallas, Tex. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC DEFENSE PLANNING

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Military Applications Subcommittee, in executive session, heard Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens and Army Chief of Staff Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway discuss the Army's role in atomic defense planning. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but made no announcements and will meet again tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate received President's veto message on postal pay increase, took up highway construction bill, and passed nine measures, including one to amend Constitution on filling congressional vacancies.

House passed D. C. appropriations, urgent deficiency appropriations, and worked on Reserve Forces bill.

Bill amending the International Claims Settlement Act approved by House committee.

Conferees agreed to file report on Treasury-Post Office appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6596–6622

Bills Introduced: 16 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2009 to S. 2024; and S. J. Res. 72.

Pages 6599–6600

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 922, to extend further the program to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals, with amendment (S. Rept. 359);

S. J. Res. 31, proposing an amendment to the Constitution providing for the election of President and Vice President (S. Rept. 360);

S. 180, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma, with amendments (S. Rept. 361);

H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies, with amendment (S. Rept. 362);

S. 1755, to reduce interest rates from 5 to 3 percent on disaster loans (S. Rept. 363);

S. 1464, to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber access roads, with amendments (S. Rept. 364);

S. 1747, to increase the public benefits from the national park system by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto, with amendments (S. Rept. 365);

H. R. 3885, to authorize the waiving of the requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts (S. Rept. 366); and

S. 1138, to extend authority for construction by the armed services during a war or national emergency (S. Rept. 367). Pages 6598–6599

Bills Referred: 79 House-passed bills and 3 House-passed concurrent resolutions were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 6592–6596

Veto Message—Postal Pay Increase: Received veto message from President on S. 1, Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955, which was ordered to be printed and to lie on table.

By unanimous consent, it was agreed that immediately after routine morning business on Tuesday, May 24, Senate will proceed to reconsideration of the bill, with limitation of 3 hours debate on any motion relating thereto, the time to be equally divided between proponents and opponents. Pages 6620–6621

REA Loans: Senate passed with amendments S. 153, to amend the Rural Electrification Act regarding unexpended or unobligated sums, after adopting Humphrey amendment (in the nature of a substitute), providing for allocation of 25 percent of funds on the basis of the number of unelectrified farms and the remaining 75 percent at the discretion of REA Administrator. The Humphrey amendment (in the nature of a substitute), pending at the time Senate recessed on May 17, was withdrawn. Pages 6622–6625

Constitutional Amendment—Congressional Vacancies: By 76 yeas to 3 nays, Senate passed S. J. Res. 8, to amend the Constitution by authorizing governors to fill temporary vacancies in Congress caused by a disaster, after adopting committee amendment (in the nature of a substitute), which had first been amended by adoption of a clarifying amendment by Senator Russell.

Pages 6625–6629

Surplus Property: Senate passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. Page 6632

Joint Committee on Budget: Senate passed without amendment S. 1805, to amend the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 by creating a Joint Committee on the Budget. Pages 6632–6634

Private Resolution: S. Res. 102, referring S. 427, a private bill, to the U. S. Court of Claims, was passed without amendment. Page 6634

War Powers: Senate passed without amendment, and cleared for action of President, H. R. 4052, to continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act of 1941. Page 6636

Vessels Sale—Philippines: Senate passed with committee amendments S. J. Res. 67, authorizing sale of certain vessels to Philippine citizens and to provide for rehabilitation of interisland commerce. Pages 6636–6637

Indian Lands: Senate passed without amendment S. 33, relating to exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation. Page 6637

Subsistence and Mileage Expenses: Senate passed S. 1580, to increase per diem and subsistence allowance of Federal employees from $9 to $12 per day, and auto allowance from 7 to 10 cents per mile, after adopting amendment by Senator Johnson of Texas to establish per diem and subsistence allowance at $12 per day instead of $13 as would have been provided in the bill as reported.

S. 1795, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed. Pages 6640–6641

Highway Construction: Senate made its pending business S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways. Pages 6637–6638, 6641–6642

Confirmations: Two civilian nominations were confirmed.

Recess: Recessed at 4:17 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT ACT OF 1955

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee began hearings on S. 1286, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration, and to increase borrower participation in management and control of the Federal Farm Credit System, with testimony today from the following witnesses: R. B. Tootell, Governor of Farm Credit Administration; Golden F. Fine, Federal Farm Credit Board; Arthur J. Smaby, Cooperative League of the USA; R. N. Downie, representing American Bankers Association; Kenneth L. Scott, Agricultural Credit Services, Agriculture Department; Marion S. Garstang, National Milk Producers Federation; Lloyd C. Halvorson, National Grange; John J. Riggle, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; Frank K. Woolley, American Farm Bureau Federation; Glen R. Harris, National Advisory Committee of Production Credit Association, Richvale, Calif.; W. D. Partlow, El Campo Production Credit Association, Beaumont, Tex.; F. A. Lopez-Dominguez, National Farm Loan Association, San Juan, P. R.; J. B. Chambers, Jr., Valley Production Credit Association, Harlingen, Tex.; J. P. Stone, National Farm Loan Association, Coffeeville, Miss.; and Deputy Governors and Directors Homer G. Smith, Cooperative Bank Service, Harold A. Miles, Short Term Credit Service, and Thomas A. Maxwell, Land Bank Service, all of the Farm Credit Administration.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—AIR FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings, today in executive session, on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony from officials of the Air Force. Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR-HEW

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare and related agencies, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

On funds for the Railroad Retirement Board—Raymond J. Kelly, Chairman;

On funds for the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service—Joseph F. Finnegan, Director; and

On miscellaneous provisions of the bill, with testimony from numerous outside witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

In support of funds for the James River navigation survey—Senator Robertson, Representatives Gary and Abbitt, and local witnesses;

In support of funds for Tacoma Harbor and Ice Harbor lock and dam in Washington—Senators Magnuson and Jackson, and local witnesses; and

In support of funds for McCook Lake project in South Dakota—Senators Mundt and Case of South Dakota, and local witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in open session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 1138, to extend authority for construction by the armed services during a war or national emergency. Prior to its approval, the committee heard testimony thereon from Frank H. Higgins, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Logistics and Research and Development, and Brig. Gen. J. B. Madaris, Chief, Industrial Division, Office of Chief of Ordnance, Army.

In executive session, the committee ordered favorably reported: (1) With an amendment in the nature of a substitute bill S. 1718, Reserve Officer Personnel Act amendments, (2) without amendment H. R. 3885, to

authorize the waiving of the requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts, and (3) 6,110 nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force. The committee also agreed to adopt an interim report of the Subcommittee on Civil Defense, which was submitted by Senator Kefauver.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Housing Subcommittee continued its hearings on miscellaneous housing bills, with testimony today from the following witnesses: Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, Strategic Air Command, Offutt AFB, Omaha, who stressed the need of adequate housing for Air Force personnel; Bert Seidman, AFL, Ira Robbins, and Dr. William L. C. Wheaton, University of Pennsylvania, both representing National Housing Conference, and Frank Hoffman and Ben Fischer, both of CIO, all of whom urged liberalization of existing housing laws; Clarence Mitchell, NAACP; Msgr. John O'Grady, National Conference of Catholic Charities; and Henry DuLaurence, Jr., National Apartment Owners Association.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its hearings on the President's proposed mutual security program for 1956, with testimony from the following witnesses: Robert Nathan, ADA; John C. Lynn, American Farm Bureau Federation; Mrs. Virginia M. Gray, Citizens Committee for UNICEF; Mrs. Elizabeth T. Farwell, National Congress for Parents and Teachers; George Hecht, American Parents Committee; Joseph Martin Gelman, AMVETS; Andrew E. Rice, AVC; David E. Hervey, Hervey Foundation, Hertford, N. C.; Louis W. Schneider, American Friends Service Committee; Wallace J. Campbell, the Cooperative League of the U. S. A.; Dr. Luther A. Gotwald, National Council of the Churches of Christ; Daniel T. Buckley, Coal Exporters Association of the U. S., Inc.; John T. Byrne, Association of Marine Underwriters of the U. S.; Norman Gottlieb and John Sevier, both of H. Steele & Co., San Antonio; Philip Schiff, American Association for the U. N.; Stephen S. Scopas, Order of AHEPA; and Rubin Johnson, National Farmers Union.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings with regard to certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, hearing testimony today from the following witnesses: Jerome Schlesinger, of Woodhaven, N. J., a former employee of ASTAPA; Marvin Rubin, a manufacturer's agent from New York City; and Joseph G. Porreca, a former employee of the Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot and the New York Procurement Agency. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 24.

MULTIPLE SURFACE USES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee continued its hearings on S. 1713, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, with testimony supporting its enactment from Lowell Besley, American Forestry Association; Charles Callison, conservation director, National Wildlife Federation; and Michael Hudoba, Sports Afield.

Committee also heard testimony from Robert S. Palmer, executive secretary, Colorado Mining Association, who urged adoption of restricting amendments before the bill's enactment.

Committee recessed subject to call.

VIRGIN ISLANDS PARK, AND ALASKA LAND

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 1408, authorizing sale of certain public lands in Alaska to the Pacific Northern Timber Co. at a reasonably appraised price, prior to which hearings were held thereon with testimony favoring the bill, but with suggested amendments, from Delegate Bartlett; Gov. B. Frank Heintzleman, of Alaska; and A. Moco Edwards, Assistant Solicitor, and Fred Weiler, Bureau of Land Management, both of the Interior Department.

Subcommittee also held hearings on S. 1604, to authorize the establishment of the Virgin Islands National Park, with testimony favoring its enactment from Assistant Solicitor A. Moco Edwards, Conrad L. Wirth, Director of National Park Service, and William Arnold, Assistant Director of Office of Territories in Charge of Island Affairs, all of the Interior Department; and Allston Boyer, representing Laurance Rockefeller, donors of the land for the park.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act (S. 712, 1248, 1853, 1880), with testimony today in opposition to S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act, from the following witnesses: Mayor Leo Berg, of Akron; Mayor Quigg Newton, of Denver; Mayor George R. Dempster, of Knoxville; Mayor Eric G. Hoyer, accompanied by Charles A. Sawyer, city attorney, both of Minneapolis; Samuel H. Liberman, city counselor, St. Louis, Mo.; William B. Lawless, Jr., appearing for Mayor Stanley Pankow, both of Buffalo; and J. Hardy Johnston, Jr., Memphis Light, Gas, and Water Division. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 24.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on nominations, as follows:

Benjamin M. Tashiro to be judge of fifth circuit, circuit courts, Hawaii—with favoring testimony from

Delegate Farrington, and Mike Masaoka, Japanese-American Citizens League; and

Reynier J. Wortendyke, Jr., to be U. S. district judge for the district of New Jersey—with favoring testimony from Senators Smith and Case of New Jersey, Charles Danzig and Andrew B. Crummy, both of Newark, Lionel P. Kristeller, president, New Jersey State Bar Association, and the nominee; and opposing testimony from Walter R. Gottschalk, of Newark, Charles J. Reich, Sr., of Rahway, N. J., and William Zeus, president, National Tool & Manufacturing Co., Kenilworth, N. J.

POSTAL CLASSIFICATION RATES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Postal Rates concluded its hearings on S. 1292, to readjust postal classification rates on educational and cultural materials, with testimony favoring the bill from Porter Cowles, University of North Carolina Press, and representing Association of American University Presses; Mary O'Hara, Authors' League; J. Thomas Hastings, professor, University of Illinois; James L. Hanley, superintendent of schools, Providence, R. I., and representing State Testing Leaders Conference and other educational organizations; Joan David, National Council on Business Mail; and Francis R. Cauley, Magazine Publishers Association, Inc. Testimony was also heard from Wendell W. Campbell, Chief Legislative Counsel, Solicitors Office, Post Office Department, who suggested certain amendments to the bill.

Mrs. Elizabeth A. Smart, WCTU, testified in opposition.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS ACT OF 1955

Committee on Rules and Administration: Privileges and Elections Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 636, to revise the Federal election laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections, and had as its witness today Senator Dirksen, who discussed certain aspects of the bill, and pointed out some phases which he thought the subcommittee should thoroughly acquaint itself with before taking action thereon. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H. R. 6366–6384; 17 private bills, H. R. 6385–6401; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 310 and H. Con. Res. 127, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 4663, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws (H. Rept. 602);

H. R. 6367, making appropriations for the Department of Commerce and related agencies for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 603);

H. R. 6295, amending the Travel Expense Act of 1949 to provide an increased maximum per diem allowable for subsistence and travel expenses (H. Rept. 604); and

H. J. Res. 310, making additional appropriations for fiscal year 1955 (H. Rept. 605). Page 6692

Reserve Forces: Continued the consideration of H. R. 5297, to provide for the strengthening of the Reserve Forces, and rejected by a teller vote of 143 yeas to 167 nays an amendment, offered by Mr. Vinson, to delete language sought to be amended by the Powell anti-segregation amendment. The Vinson amendment also would have preserved the status quo of the National Guard under existing law. Further action on the bill was deferred to a future date. Pages 6645–6657

Treasury Administrative Expenses: Passed, and cleared for the President, S. 1727, authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Treasury Department.

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Metal Scrap Taxes: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. R. 5223, to continue to June 30, 1956, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap.

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Duty-Free GI Gifts: Passed H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad. Page 6660

D. C. Appropriations: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 6239, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia for fiscal year 1956. A motion to recommit the bill was rejected by a voice vote.

Adopted an amendment designed to keep public welfare grants at the present level.

Rejected amendments that sought to—

Restore $4 million to the amount to be contributed by the Federal Government.

Add $267,499 to the bill for 18 additional teaching positions, 14 additional clerks for schools, and for the repair and maintenance of schools.

The bill authorizes appropriations of $166,547,509 for the operation of the government of the District of Columbia, including $34,306,500 for capital outlay. This

appropriation is $4,225,290 under the 1955 appropriation and $8,857,791 below the budget estimates.

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Urgent Deficiency Appropriation: Adopted H. J. Res. 310, making additional appropriations for fiscal year 1955, by a voice vote.

The resolution authorizes appropriations of $263,475 for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government; and $25 million for the Veterans' Administration for readjustment benefits.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:54 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MARKETING FACILITIES

Committee on Agriculture: Began hearings on H. R. 4054, to provide a system of mortgage insurance to municipal and other political subdivisions of the States, to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture, for the expansion of public wholesale market facilities for perishable agricultural commodities. Kenneth Scott, Director of Agricultural Credit Services, Department of Agriculture, testified in connection with the proposed legislation. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

FARM CREDIT

Committee on Agriculture: Held further hearings on H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration, and to increase borrowing participation in the management and control of the Farm Credit System. Witnesses heard today were J. B. Chambers, Brownsville, Tex.; Glenn R. Harris, Richvale, Calif.; W. D. Partlow, Beaumont Production Credit Association of Texas; B. E. Stallones, Bank of Cooperators Stockholders, Houston, Tex.; and Wilmer Smith, National Advisory Committee of Stockholders of the Cooperative Banks, Wilson, Tex. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ELECTIONS—TAXES—CARFARES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 191, to regulate the election of delegates representing the District of Columbia to national political conventions;

H. R. 2406, to provide that property transferred exclusively for public or municipal purposes, to the United States or the District of Columbia, or exclusively for charitable, educational, or religious purposes, shall be exempt from D. C. inheritance and estate taxes; and

H. R. 3908, to fix D. C. street-transit fares for schoolchildren at half the established fare.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended.

MULTIPLE MINING, PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee heard testimony today in support of H. R. 5891, and eight other related bills, which would amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of public lands. Witnesses testifying were Representative Ellsworth, author of one of the bills (H. R. 5577); Edward Woozley, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, Department of the Interior; Richard E. McArdle, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; George D. Riley, American Federation of Labor; Perry A. Thompson, Western Lumber Manufacturers, Inc., San Francisco, Calif.; Raymond B. Holbrook, American Mining Congress; Lowell Besley, executive director, American Forestry Association; W. D. Hagenstein, managing director, Industrial Forestry Association, Portland, Oreg.; Charles H. Callison, conservation director, National Wildlife Federation; and Michael Hudoba, Washington editor of Sports Afield. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continued public hearings in connection with its study of Federal-aid highway legislation. Today's witnesses were Carl Fritts, vice president for engineering, Automotive Safety Foundation; Sidney J. Williams, assistant to the president, National Safety Council; and Howard Zahniser, representing the Wilderness Society, Inc. Recessed on the subject until Monday morning.

INTER-AMERICAN HIGHWAY

Committee on Public Works: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5923, to authorize certain sums to be appropriated immediately for the completion of the construction of the Inter-American Highway.

RECLAMATION—FARM COMMODITIES

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing 2 hours of debate on H. R. 5881, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects. Appearing on the proposal were Representatives Aspinall, Jones of Alabama, Hope, Saylor, and Young.

Also granted an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H. R. 2851, providing surplus farm commodities for relief distribution in certain areas. Representatives Jennings and Hope testified on this legislation.

Considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. R. 3990, authorizing investigation and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska. Testifying on behalf of this subject were Representative Aspinall and Delegate Bartlett. Speaking in opposition were Representatives Budge and Saylor.

BRIDGE COMMISSION—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported to the House H. Res. 244, creating a select committee to investigate financial position of the White County Bridge Commission. Representative Denton, of Indiana, spoke on the resolution, of which he is the author.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 139, authorizing subpena and investigative powers for studies by the Committee on Agriculture. Heard on this proposal were Representatives Cooley, Hope, and McIntire.

ALUMINUM STUDY

Select Committee on Small Business: Held further hearings in connection with its study of current shortages and long-range problems in the aluminum industry. Today's witnesses were Phillip Lemmelman of the Aluminum Extruders Council; Robert Katz, Badger Aluminum Co. of New York; and Nathaniel Davis, Aluminium Ltd., Sales, Inc., New York City. Recessed on the subject until Monday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

BRIEFING BY CIA

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing from Director Allen Dulles and other representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

SUBCOMMITTEE PROGRAM

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy held an executive meeting to consider its program, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Conferees continued, in executive session, to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, after which the following announcement was made:

The Senate amendments on which no final action has been taken by the conferees: 1, 2, 3, 10, 14, 15, 16, 27, 28, and 29.

The Senate amendments on which the House conferees receded and concurred: 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 26.

The Senate conferees receded from its amendments numbered 13 and 18.

The Senate amendments of substance to which the House conferees agreed are as follows:

(1) Amendments 4, 6, 9, and 23. These amendments change from July 1, 1955, to January 1, 1955, the date on which the existing rates of duty could be reduced by 15 percent.

(2) Amendment 7. The House conferees agreed to the Senate amendment deleting the provision which permitted a reduction of duties by 50 percent of their January 1, 1945, level in the case of articles normally not imported or normally imported in negligible quantities.

(3) Amendment 26. The House conferees agreed to the Senate amendment which required the Tariff Commission to submit an annual factual report to the Congress on the operation of the trade agreements program.

The Senate amendment of substance on which the Senate receded is as follows:

(1) Amendment 13. The Senate conferees agreed to restore the provision of the House bill which had been deleted by the Senate authorizing the President to round out rates of duty to an extent not exceeding one-half of 1 percent ad valorem in making changes in tariff rates.

Conferees meet again Wednesday, May 25.

APPROPRIATIONS—TREASURY-POST OFFICE

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 4876, providing appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and the Tax Court of the U. S.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted conference report on Treasury-Post Office appropriations, and debated highway construction bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 13 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2025–S. 2037. Page 6708

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1718, Reserve Officer Personnel Act amendments, with amendments (S. Rept. 368); and

Minority views on S. 51, relative to jurisdiction over criminal offenses or civil actions committed or arising on Indian reservations (pt. 2 of S. Rept. 357). Page 6708

Bills Referred: Five House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 6704

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 4876, providing appropria-

tions for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and the Tax Court of the U. S. for fiscal 1956.

Pages 6704–6705

New York Harbor: Letter from Secretary of Army and report from Chief of Engineers on review of reports on New York Harbor, entrance channels, and anchorage area, with illustrations, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 45. Page 6708

Highway Construction: Senate debated S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways. Pages 6712–6734

Confirmations: One civilian nomination was confirmed, along with 6,110 sundry nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps. Page 6741

Nominations: The following nominations were received: Selden Chapin, of D. C., to be Ambassador to Iran; Richard Lee Jones, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Liberia; and Harold C. Patterson, of Virginia, to be a member of the SEC, along with 155 nominations in the Army and 758 in the Air Force. Pages 6737–6741

Recess: Recessed at 4:58 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT ACT OF 1955

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings on S. 1286, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration, subcommittee heard testimony today from Donald C. Horton, Resources and Civil Works Division, Bureau of the Budget; J. R. Canning, president, and Phil H. Lane, secretary, both of the Texas Production Credit Association, San Angelo, Tex.; Abner B. Larson, Mandan Production Credit Association, Mandan, N. Dak., and representing the North Dakota Production Credit Associations; W. D. Walker, president, and Carlos Val Smith, secretary-treasurer, Waco Production Credit Association, Waco, Tex.; Carl F. Dodge, president, Nevada Livestock Production Credit Association, Fallon, Nev.; Ray W. Willoughby, San Angelo, Tex., and representing Old Financing Institutions; J. W. Mitchell, Fort Worth, representing National Livestock Credit Corp. of Texas; L. O. Funderburk, Kershaw Production Credit Association, Camden, S. C., representing the South Carolina Federation of Production Credit Associations, accompanied by James H. Wilson, representing Sumter, S. C., Production Credit Association; Lloyd Godley, Production Credit Association of the State of Arkansas, Osceola; Wilmer Smith, national advisory committee, Farm Credit Board, Wilson, Tex.; and B. E. Stallones, president and general manager, South Texas Producers Association, Houston, and representing Bank for Cooperatives of Texas. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—AIR FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its executive hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, with further testimony from officials of the Air Force. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 24.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for fiscal 1956, hearing testimony as follows:

On funds for the Federal Trade Commission—Edward F. Howrey, Chairman;

On funds for the General Accounting Office—Joseph Campbell, Comptroller General;

On funds for the Veterans' Administration—T. O. Kraabel, American Legion, Kent Lundgren, State commander, and Carlton L. Seaman, both of the American Legion, Michigan, and Leon Buer, Michigan VFW;

On funds for National Security Training Commission—Omer W. Clark, DAV;

On funds for General Services Administration item—J. M. Thomson, Commercial Controls Corporation;

On funds for Home Loan Bank Board—Horace Russell, Chicago, U. S. Savings and Loan League; and

On title V (fees and charges) of 1952 Independent Offices Act—Donald C. Beelar, American Bar Association.

Hearings continue Wednesday, May 25.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR-HEW

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare and related agencies, with testimony on certain Public Health Service items of the bill from Senator Stennis and Delegate Bartlett, and on various other sections of the bill from numerous outside witnesses.

Subcommittee markup on this bill is tentatively scheduled for Friday, May 27.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on 1956 budget estimates for public works, and heard testimony as follows:

On various projects in the State of Delaware—Senators Frear and Williams; and

On Delaware River project, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware—favoring testimony from Senators Martin (Pennsylvania) and Duff, Representatives Byrne (Pennsylvania) and King (Pennsylvania), and

several local witnesses, some of whom favored and some of whom opposed the project.

Hearings continue Monday, May 23.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Real Estate and Military Construction Subcommittee continued, in executive session, its hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, but made no announcements and will meet again Monday, May 23.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Civil Defense Subcommittee continued its hearings, with testimony from Dr. Ralph E. Lapp, an atomic scientist, and Siegfried Goetz, chairman of emergency farm committee on civil defense, Monrovia, Md.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Housing Subcommittee concluded its hearings on miscellaneous proposed housing legislation, with testimony, as indicated, from the following witnesses: Former Senator Scott W. Lucas, representing Mobile Homes Manufacturers Association, Chicago, accompanied by Ralph Kaul, consultant, Trailer Coach Association, Los Angeles, both of whom proposed that the Housing Act be amended to enable the FHA to insure on trailer parts; George P. Spiczak, Home Federal Savings & Loan Association, Chicago, Fred W. Heitmann, Northwest National Bank, Chicago, and B. J. Staal, Holland Furnace Co., Holland, Mich., all representing Title I Advisory Group, and C. N. Nichols, Home Improvement Contractors National Association, Inc., all of whom supported continuation of title I (home improvement and modernization) of the Housing Act; Clyde A. Lewis, Plattsburg Air Base Liaison Commission, Plattsburg, N. Y., and Norbert X. Dowd, chamber of commerce, Bangor, Maine, both of whom favored enactment of S. 1501, Armed Services Housing Insurance Act of 1955; and Herbert Levy, National Fire Alarm Association, who requested the subcommittee to encourage the FHA to make fire-alarm devices eligible for title I insurance.

Subcommittee will meet in executive session on Tuesday, May 24.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, began a section-by-section review of a draft print of the President's proposed mutual security program for fiscal 1956, but took no final actions thereon and recessed until Monday, May 23.

HELLS CANYON

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of S. 1333, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Hells Canyon Dam on Snake River between Idaho and Oregon, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, May 23, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

MARKETING FACILITIES

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing today on H. R. 4054, to encourage the improvement and development of marketing facilities for handling perishable agricultural commodities. Testimony on the proposed legislation was received from the following witnesses—Kenneth L. Scott, Director, accompanied by Roy Lennartson, Deputy Administrator, both of the Agricultural Credit Service; William C. Crow, Chief, Transportation and Facilities Division, Agricultural Marketing Service; Joseph F. Shelly, American Vegetable Growers Association; John Baker, National Farmers Union; Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau Federation; Gregory S. Prince, general counsel, Association of American Railroads.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Recessed on the subject until Monday morning.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee considered two Air Force classified construction projects (Nos. 8b and 29a); and Navy acquisition project (No. 122), Beaufort, S. C., Marine jet base. Testifying on the first-mentioned projects was Col. W. E. Leonhard, Department of the Air Force; while Willis

Tiencken, represented the Department of the Navy on the jet base project.

SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued its hearings on H. R. 521 to make the Small Business Administration a permanent Government agency. Also considered other bills to amend and extend the Small Business Act. Witnesses heard were Wendell B. Barnes, Small Business Administrator, who was interrogated by the committee regarding his testimony on the bills. Other witnesses today were William S. Kelly, representing the American Banking Association; and George J. Burger, vice president of the National Federation of Independent Business. Recessed until Monday morning when it will begin hearings on H. R. 5827, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Federal departmental officials are scheduled as the first witnesses.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: At today's public hearing on legislation proposing Federal aid to States for school construction, the committee heard the following witnesses—Thomas A. Ballantine, member of the board, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Shad Polier, American Jewish Congress; and Clarence Mitchell, of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Recessed on the subject until Tuesday morning when the committee will hear Andrew J. Biemiller of the AFL, following which it will begin executive study of the topic.

MINING LAWS, PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee, with amendments, H. R. 5891, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of public lands. Testimony on the proposal was heard from Representative Hagen, of California, and John J. Heimburger, counsel for the House Committee on Agriculture, who appeared for Representatives Cooley and Hope.

ALASKA TIN

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee heard the following witnesses in connection with its study of Alaskan tin problems—Charles N. Merrill, Chief of Division of Minerals, Bureau of Mines; John C. Reed, staff coordinator, Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Wiley F. McKinnon, Director, Office of Tin, Federal Facilities Corporation; Ralph Lomen, Zenda Gold Mining Co., and A. W. Ramstad, of the Northern Tin Co.; and Gov. B. Frank Heintzleman and Henry Benson, Commissioner of Labor, both of Alaska.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met executively on H. R. 4560 and 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Recessed on the subject until Tuesday morning.

PURPLE HEART—BANKRUPTCY—MINERALS CONTRACTS—FATHER'S DAY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 received testimony on the following bills at today's public session—

H. R. 590, to incorporate the Military Order of the Purple Heart—Representative Teague of Texas, author of the bill; Representative Holt, of California; Maj. William Dwyer, of the Department of Defense; and officials of the Military Order of the Purple Heart: Col. Walter C. Bowman, Gen. Melvin J. Maas, and Archie Bakay.

H. R. 256, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to the priority of debts owed by a bankrupt to workmen, servants, clerks, and certain salesmen—Representative Byrnes of Wisconsin, author of the bill; Robert J. Roper, National Association of Credit Men; Edwin L. Covey, Chief of Bankruptcy, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts; Charles H. Horsky, chairman of the National Bankruptcy Conference; and various representatives of salesmen's organizations and the National Association of Furniture Manufacturers.

H. R. 2382, to amend the Contract Settlement Act so as to authorize payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals or metals in cases of failure to recover at reasonable costs—Representatives Carnahan, author of the bill, and Rhodes, of California; Gerrit Wesselink, Office of General Counsel, Department of the Air Force; and J. Carson Adkinson, of Washington, D. C.

H. J. Res. 240, designating the third Sunday in June of each year as Father's Day—Representative Granahan, author of the measure.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Ordered reported to the House a clean bill, which will be introduced to supersede H. R. 6119, to authorize the construction of a Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution.

Prior to this action the Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds approved five lease-purchase projects, as follows—Post offices for Garland, Tex.; Grand Prairie, Tex.; Hudson, Mass.; and Two Harbors, Minn. Also approved a Federal office building for Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Monday, May 23, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate worked on highway construction bill, reaching agreement to limit debate thereon.

House cleared Treasury-Post Office appropriations for the President.

Senate committee reported urgent deficiency appropriation bill.

Bill to extend recruitment program of Mexican farm workers approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6741–6753

Bills Introduced: 8 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2038–S. 2045. Page 6745

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 55, authorizing payment for interest in lands within the Coconino and Sitgreaves National Forests, Ariz., with amendments (S. Rept. 369);

S. 516, extension of the saline-water program, with amendments (S. Rept. 370);

H. J. Res. 310, second urgent deficiency appropriations for fiscal 1955 (S. Rept. 371);

H. R. 4725, providing for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, with amendments (S. Rept. 372); and

S. 76, authorizing appropriations for construction, operation, and maintenance of the western land boundary fence project, U. S. and Mexico (S. Rept. 373). Page 6745

Alaska Unemployment: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 1650, to authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act, clearing bill for President's action. Page 6754

Indian Lands: Senate vacated its action taken on May 19 in passing S. 33, relating to exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation, discharged Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs from further consideration of H. R. 2682, a similar bill, and after passing H. R. 2682 without amendment, indefinitely postponed S. 33. This action clears the legislation for the President. Pages 6773–6775

Highway Construction: Senate adopted en bloc committee amendments to S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, with the agreement that the bill, as so amended, will be considered as original text for purpose of further amendment.

Later, Thurmond amendment eliminating language respecting exclusive right to advertising in belts up to 500 feet deep along highways, was adopted.

Senate also entered unanimous-consent agreement limiting further debate on S. 1048, as follows: After the conclusion of routine morning business on Wednesday, May 25, limitation of 2 hours debate on any amendment or motion equally divided (except as to a substitute for the bill or a motion to lay on the table); 3 hours debate on any substitute amendment equally divided; that no nongermane amendment be received; and 2 hours debate on the question of final passage of the bill.

Pending at recess was amendment by Senator Martin (Pennsylvania) (in the nature of a substitute for the bill), which would create a Federal Highway Corporation authorized to issue bonds up to the amount of $21 billion, maturing in 30 years.

Pages 6754–6773, 6775–6791, 6795–6809

Treaty Reported: Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries between U. S. and Canada, signed at Washington on September 10, 1954 (Ex. B, 84th Cong., 1st sess.), was reported (Ex. Rept. 7, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). Page 6745

Recess: Recessed at 6:56 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE PROGRAMS FOR RICE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee began hearings on multiprice programs for rice, hearing testimony today from the following witnesses: Representative Thompson of Texas; Under Secretary True D. Morse, Edward M. Shulman, Deputy General Counsel for Commodity Credit Procurement and Adjustment, and John H. Dean, Assistant Deputy Administrator for Price Support, Commodity Stabilization Service—all of the Agriculture Department; Samuel E. Waugh, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; C. W. Nichols, Chief of the International Resources Division, State Department; and Cyril R. C. Laane, of Rickert, Wessanen, and Laane, Inc., New Orleans. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—URGENT DEFICIENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. J. Res. 310, second urgent deficiency appropriations for fiscal 1955.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, with testimony today, as follows:

In support of funds for the Hildebrand and Dam No. 8, Monongahela River, W. Va.—Senators Kilgore and Neely;

On Redondo Beach, Calif., beach erosion project—Representative King (California);

On survey money for Rocky Reach Reservoir in Washington—Representative Horan;

On funds for New Cumberland lock and dam navigation project, Ohio River—Senators Kilgore, Neely, and Martin (Pennsylvania), and local witnesses;

On Success Dam flood-control project in California—Representative Hagen; and

On lower Columbia River fisheries program—John L. Farley, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction concluded hearings on the Army title of S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, with testimony today from Col. W. R. Shuler, Office of Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Department of the Army.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow when it will hear testimony on the Air Force title of this bill.

NOMINATIONS AND REPORT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of Andrew D. Orrick, of California, to be a member of the SEC, and Frank Southard to be U. S. executive director of International Monetary Fund.

The committee deferred, until Thursday, May 26, final action on the stock market study report.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee heard Chester Bowles, former Ambassador to India, testify in support of the President's proposed mutual security program for 1956—particularly the economic assistance programs.

Committee will meet again to consider this program in executive session.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT—TREATIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments, in executive session, by a vote of 3 to 2, ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment S. J. Res. 1, proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the legal effect of certain treaties and other international agreements.

SALK ANTIPOLIO VACCINE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met in executive session with Assistant Secretaries of the Department of HEW Roswell B. Perkins and Bradshaw Mintener for a further discussion of bills relating to the distribution of the Salk antipolio vaccine. Committee recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 528, to extend time for construction of toll bridge across Rainy River at Baudette, Minn.; S. 1318, authorizing construction of a highway crossing over Lake Texoma, Red River, Tex. and Okla.; S. 1340, conveyance of certain land to Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex.; H. R. 625, providing for adjustment of tolls on bridge across Des Moines River at St. Francisville, Mo.; and H. R. 3879, to amend the act of 1945 pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg.;

With amendments—S. 414, providing for preliminary examination and survey of New England coastal areas to determine possible means of preventing property damage and loss of life due to hurricane winds and tides; and S. 928, to amend the Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the control of air pollution; and

Lease-purchase projects, as follows: Federal office building at Albuquerque, N. Mex.; and post offices for Denver, Colo. (terminal annex), Hudson, Mass., Two Harbors, Minn., Garland, Tex., and Grand Prairie, Tex.

Prior to these actions, the Subcommittee on Flood Control and Rivers and Harbors ordered favorably reported to the full committee the above-listed bills.

Committee will meet again Thursday, May 26.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H. R. 6402–6420; 3 private bills, H. R. 6421–6423; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 311–313 and H. Res. 248–250, were introduced.

Pages 6813–6814, 6820, 6836–6837

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 191, to regulate the election of delegates representing the District of Columbia, to national political conventions (filed on May 20) (H. Rept. 606);

H. R. 2406, to provide that property transferred exclusively for public or municipal purposes, to the United

States or District of Columbia, or exclusively for charitable, educational, or religious purposes, shall be exempt from D. C. inheritance and estate taxes (filed on May 20) (H. Rept. 607);

H. R. 3908, to fix D. C. street-transit fares for school children at half the established fare (filed on May 20) (H. Rept. 608);

H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies (filed on May 20) (H. Rept. 609);

Conference report on H. R. 4876, providing appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and the Tax Court of the United States for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 610);

H. R. 5923, to authorize immediate appropriation of certain sums for the completion of the construction of the Inter-American Highway (H. Rept. 611);

H. Res. 248, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5881, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects (H. Rept. 612); and

H. Res. 249, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 2851, to authorize the Commodity Credit Corporation to process food commodities for donation under certain acts (H. Rept. 613).

Pages 6835–6836

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 4876, providing appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments and the Tax Court of the U. S. for fiscal year 1956, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Pages 6811–6813

Donable Property: Concurred in Senate amendments to, and thereby cleared for the President, H. R. 3322, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes. Page 6813

D. C. Legislation: The consideration of bills pertaining to the District of Columbia was in order and the following bills were considered and passed:

Traffic Act: H. R. 6063, to amend the D. C. Traffic Act of 1925 to exempt certain officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives from the requirements of such act relating to the registration of motor vehicles and the licensing of operators when they can prove legal residence in some State.

Judges' salary adjustment: S. 727, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, municipal court, juvenile court, and the tax court (adopted a committee amendment and returned bill to the Senate).

Tax-exempt property: H. R. 2406, to exempt from D. C. inheritance and estate tax any property transferred to the United States or the District of Columbia for charitable, educational, or religious purposes.

D. C. delegates: H. R. 191, to regulate the election of delegates representing the District of Columbia to national political conventions.

School fares: H. R. 3908, to provide for the regulation of fares for the transportation of schoolchildren in the District of Columbia. Pages 6814–6820

Bills Referred: Five Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 6835

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:08 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MEXICAN FARM LABOR

Committee on Agriculture: Voted to report to the House H. R. 3822, extending for 3½ years (until June 30, 1959), the program of recruitment of agricultural workers from the Republic of Mexico.

As amended, the bill would eliminate double liability for transportation and expenses of Mexican workers back to Mexico where the employer has paid such expenses, but the worker does not return to Mexico and is later picked up by Federal immigration authorities.

It also adopted an amendment which would require the Department of Labor to carry out, in all areas affected by the program, procedures which have been used in most areas of consulting with both employers and workers in obtaining information as to the need for additional workers, and the wages paid in the area to workers doing similar jobs.

FEED LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Livestock and Feed Grain heard officials of the Farmers Home Administration testify today in connection with H. R. 4915, to extend for an additional 2 years the period for emergency assistance loans to farmers and stockmen. The witnesses were R. B. McLeaish, Administrator; and Henry C. Smith, Deputy Administrator. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Met with officials of the Department of the Navy today and will meet with the same departmental representatives tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began hearings on H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify

laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Government officials who testified today, on behalf of H. R. 5827, were Administrator Albert H. Cole, Housing and Home Finance Agency; Commissioners Norman P. Mason and Charles Slusser, of the Public Housing Administration; Chairman Walter W. McAllister, Home Loan Bank Board; President J. Stanley Baughman, Federal National Mortgage Association; and Deputy Commissioner Richard L. Steiner, Urban Renewal Administration. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning.

DOMESTIC MINERALS PROGRAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee voted to report to the full committee H. R. 6373, to amend the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of manganese and certain other domestic minerals. Meeting in executive session on this subject today were John Leibert, special assistant to Assistant Secretary of the Interior Wormser, and other departmental officials and representatives of mining companies.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems resumed its public hearings today and received testimony from the following witnesses—Loyd Wright, president, American Bar Association; William Snow, general counsel, National Congress of Petroleum Retailers, Inc.; Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; R. H. Rowe, United States Wholesale Grocers Association; and Benjamin Werne, United Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

MAILING-TRANSPORTING BANS—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 3333, to prohibit the mailing of obscene matter of any kind, and penalize the transportation for sale or distribution of obscene or immoral literature, motion pictures, etc., in interstate or foreign commerce.

Also reported favorably on 24 private immigration bills of the House and reported adversely on 10 others.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Resumed public hearings pertaining to its study of Federal-aid highway construction programs. Witnesses testifying today were Ralph Bartlesmeyer, Illinois State highway engineer; Senator Randolph Collier, California State Legislature; Frank B. Durkee, director, California Department of Public Works; J. W. Vickery, assistant State highway engineer, division of highways, California Department of Public Works; and Assemblyman Richard J. Dolwig, California State Legislature. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

FLOOD-CONTROL PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: The Davis (Tennessee) subcommittee ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—

H. R. 192, removing elevation requirement of power pool in Salem Church Reservoir on the Rappahannock River, Va.;

H. R. 1599, providing for adjustments to former owners of lands or interests required by the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Ga.;

H. R. 3235, to reconvey Federal interests to former owners of Demopolis lock and dam project, Alabama;

H. R. 4662, reducing Federal costs for development of flood control, etc., in the Willamette Basin, Oreg.;

H. R. 4729, designating lake created by the Fall River Reservoir, Kans., as Lake Meyer; and

H. R. 6066, authorizing modification of the flood-control project on the San Joaquin Reservoir and tributaries, in California.

FLOOD-CONTROL PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: The Davis (Tennessee) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee the following review resolutions for flood-control studies—

Charitan River, Iowa and Mo.;
Lane Port Reservoir, Tex.;
Coal River and tributaries, West Virginia;
Kankakee River, Ill. and Ind.;
Sturgeon River, Mich.;
Trempealeau River, Wis.;
Little Calumet River, Ind.;
Big and Little Sioux Rivers, Iowa and S. Dak.;
Loyal Hanna Creek, Pa.;
Columbia River, between Rock Island and Chief Joseph Dam site, Washington;
Pigeon Creek, Ind.;
Cheat River, W. Va.; and
Rum River, Minn.

CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION

Committee on Ways and Means: H. Chapman Rose, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, urged enactment today of H. R. 6040 or 6041, the Customs Simplification Act of 1955. Other witnesses to be heard were Harry S. Radcliffe, executive vice president, National Council of American Importers, Inc.; Herbert Harris, legislative

assistant, who presented the statement of John C. Lynn, legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; and J. C. Heraper, chairman, import and customs committee, Detroit (Mich.) Board of Commerce. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

ALUMINUM STUDY

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 3 resumed hearings in connection with its study of current shortages and long-range problems in the aluminum industry. The first witness today was Arthur Flemming, Director of Defense Mobilization, who presented his testimony in executive session. The following, heard in public session, were Edmund F. Mansure, Administrator of General Services Administration; and Harold Erskine, Business and Defense Services Administration, Department of Commerce. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Tuesday, May 24, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate sustained President's veto of postal pay increase.
House passed Commerce Department appropriations.
House Rules Committee approved Banking and Currency Committee resolutions on housing and open-market studies.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6861–6869

Bills Introduced: 19 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2046–S. 2064; S. Con. Res. 34 and S. Res. 103. Pages 6862–6864

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 6, Boston National Historic Sites Commission, with amendments (S. Rept. 374); and

S. 34, long-term leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, and business purposes, with amendments (S. Rept. 375). Page 6862

Bills Referred: Four House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 6861

Investigations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of Committee on Government Operations was authorized to meet during Senate sessions for the balance of the week. Page 6861

Postal Pay Increase: By 54 yeas to 39 nays, Senate failed to override President's veto of S. 1, Postal Field Compensation Act of 1955. (Inasmuch as a two-thirds affirmative vote is necessary to override a veto, the question of whether the bill should pass, failed to carry.) Pages 6870–6891

Highway Construction: Senate debated S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, and accepted modification proposed by Senator Gore to committee amendment which would bar funds to any State within boundaries of which the National System of Interstate Highways may lawfully be used by vehicles with greater dimensions or weight than that permitted on State highways under State laws in effect on July 1, 1955.

Pending at recess was Chavez amendment to eliminate committee amendment embracing section 17 of bill regarding requirement that all laborers and mechanics performing work on National System of Interstate Highways shall be paid wages in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. Pages 6869–6870, 6892–6895

D. C. Judges: Senate disagreed to House amendment to S. 727, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, municipal court, juvenile court, and the tax court, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Morse, Bible, and Hruska. Page 6891

Nomination: One Army nomination was received. Page 6896

Recess: Recessed at 5:41 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE PROGRAMS FOR RI

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings on multiprice programs for rice, subcommittee heard testimony from Frank K. Woolley, legis-

lative counsel, American Farm Bureau Federation, and John A. Baker, assistant to the president, National Farmers Union. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AGRICULTURAL SURPLUSES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses met in executive session to hear testimony from the following representatives of the State Department: Assistant Secretary for Economic Affairs Samuel C. Waugh, William V. Turnage, Office of International Financial and Development Affairs, Leonard Weiss, Trade Agreements and Treaties Division, Paul E. Callanan, International Resources Division, and Frank D. Taylor, Office of British Commonwealth and Northern European Affairs.

Subcommittee will meet again Wednesday, June 1.

APPROPRIATIONS—AIR FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued, in executive session, its hearings on Air Force sections of H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony on items for research and development from Brig. Gen. B. S. Kelsey, Deputy Director of Research and Development, Maj. Gen. Frank A. Bogart, Director of Budget, Maj. Gen. Daniel F. Callahan, Deputy Assistant for Programing, and Col. R. L. Johnston, Assistant Director of Research and Development. Hearings continue Thursday, May 26.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 6367, appropriations for Commerce Department and related agencies for fiscal 1956, hearing general testimony in behalf of funds for his department from Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks. Mr. Weeks did not conclude his testimony and will continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony, as follows:

Senators Hill and Sparkman, Representatives Selden and Huddleston, and local witnesses in support of funds for Warrior lock and dam, Mobile Harbor, and planning funds for Jackson lock and dam, all in Alabama; and

Local witnesses in support of planning funds for local flood-control works at Endicott, Johnson City, and Vestal, N. Y.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE, JUSTICE, AND JUDICIARY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began, in executive session, to mark up H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies, but did not complete its work and will meet again tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Real Estate and Military Construction Subcommittee began hearings on the Air Force title of S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations. Departmental witnesses heard today were Under Secretary James H. Douglas, Maj. Gen. L. B. Washbourne, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations, Col. W. G. Moore, Col. H. H. McCord, and Col. D. J. Welch. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Housing Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of miscellaneous proposed housing legislation, but did not complete its work and will meet again tomorrow.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, hearing testimony from Leon Levy, formerly of Bonita Originals, Inc., New York City, and David Pollack, formerly an employee of the Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act, committee heard testimony, as follows:

Mayor Norris Poulson, of Los Angeles, who favored enactment of S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act; and

Miles Lord, attorney general, Minnesota; Mayor Joseph E. Dillon, of St. Paul; Mayor Stephen A. Zona, of Parma, Ohio; Joseph Grossman, assistant corporation counsel, Chicago; and Benson Trimble, special counsel, Nashville, all of whom opposed enactment of S. 1853.

Senator Barrett submitted a statement favoring this bill for Gov. Milward L. Simpson, of Wyoming.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR PRACTICES—GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Special subcommittee began hearings on S. 1760, to require compliance with the National Labor Relations Act as a condition of receiving Government contracts. Testimony was heard from Arthur J. Goldberg, general counsel of the CIO, who also read a statement on behalf of William F. Schnitzler, secretary-treasurer of the AFL, both in favor of enactment of this bill.

Hearings continue Wednesday, June 1.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H. R. 6424–6450; 3 private bills, H. R. 6451–6453; and 10 resolutions, H. J. Res. 314, H. Con. Res. 128–135, and H. Res. 251, were introduced. Pages 6930, 6936–6937

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 244, creating a select committee to conduct an investigation and study of the financial position of the White County Bridge Commission (H. Rept. 614);

H. R. 4802, authorizing the execution of mortgages and deeds of trust on individual Indian trust or restricted land (H. Rept. 615);

H. R. 5597, increasing the public benefits from the national park system by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto, amended (H. Rept. 616);

H. R. 6410, relating to construction of a museum of history and technology for the Smithsonian Institution (H. Rept. 617);

H. J. Res. 207, relating to feasibility of a program for preserving historic properties, objects, and buildings in Boston, Mass., area, amended (H. Rept. 618);

H. J. Res. 232, authorizing erection of a statue of Simon Bolivar in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 619);

S. J. Res. 62, designating the Custis-Lee Mansion and dedicating it as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee, amended (H. Rept. 620);

H. J. Res. 203, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to housing (H. Rept. 621);

H. Res. 210, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to the Federal Open Market Committee, amended (H. Rept. 622);

H. Res. 251, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 3990, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska (H. Rept. 623);

Report of Committee on Foreign Affairs, entitled "Foreign Claims Settlement Commission" (H. Rept. 624); and

H. R. 3822, to extend the Mexican farm labor program authorized by Public Law 78 (82d Cong.) (H. Rept. 625). Pages 6935–6936

Commerce Appropriations: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 6367, making appropriations for the Department of Commerce and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956.

Adopted an amendment increasing the Weather Bureau funds by $2,250,000 for improving advance weather information relative to hurricane warnings.

Rejected an amendment designed to increase by $25,000 the funds of the Bureau of the Census for the gathering and publishing of data on coffee stocks on hand in the United States.

This bill authorizes appropriations of $1,121,435,000, which figure is $26,077,746 below the 1955 appropriation and $244,958,000 under the budget estimates. Pages 6899–6929

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:41 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration; and increase borrowing participation in the management and control of the Farm Credit System. Testifying today in support of the bill was Lloyd Godley, of Osceola, Ark. Appearing in opposition were Phil H. Lane, San Angelo, Tex.; J. R. Canning, San Angelo, Tex.; Abner B. Larson, Mandan (N. Dak.) Production Credit Association; Carlos Val Smith and W. D. Walker, Waco, Tex.; and Ray Willoughby, San Angelo, Tex. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Representatives of the Department of the Navy met at today's executive session to consider H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued public hearings on H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Further testimony on behalf of the proposed legislation was presented today by Administrator Albert H. Cole, Housing and Home Finance Agency, and Chairman Walter W. McAllister, Home Loan Bank Board. Adjourned until tomorrow morning when Government officials are again scheduled to testify.

SMALL LOANS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Klein subcommittee began hearings today on H. R. 114, to require licenses to be obtained from the D. C. Commissioners by persons engaged in the business of making loans of $600 or less. Urging enactment of the proposed legislation were Representative Kearns, author of the bill; Chester Gray, D. C. Corporation Counsel; Hubert

Rhodes, representing the D. C. Credit Unions; and other interested proponents. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Concluded public hearings on proposed legislation authorizing Federal assistance to States for school construction. Andrew J. Biemiller, representing the AFL, was the final witness.

Following an executive session, Chairman Barden announced that he would appoint a nine-man subcommittee to prepare a draft bill for consideration by the full committee on the subject of school construction.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Approved for reporting to the House H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Foreign Operations met in executive session to hear Stanley Woodward, former Ambassador to Canada.

MINING LAWS, PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 5891, with amendments, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, and

H. R. 3636, a private land patent issuance in Honolulu, T. H.

INDIAN MEMORIAL

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Public Lands held a hearing on H. J. Res. 303, to provide for construction of a permanent national memorial to the North American Indians. Witnesses testifying in favor of the proposal were Representative Berry, author of the bill; Senator Mundt and Representative Lovre, of South Dakota; Kenneth Keller, attorney, Leeds, S. Dak., member of the Crazy Horse Memorial Commission; and Korczak Ziolkowski, sculptor of the memorial. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 4560, 4675, and related bills, to amend the Natural Gas Act. Recessed on the subject until Thursday morning.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems heard the following witnesses in connection with its current study—Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; Prof. Leonard Emmerglick, Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.; Jerry Voorhis, Cooperative League of the United States; and Howard Dresbach, National Council of Farm Cooperatives. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

INVENTIVE AWARDS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held hearings on H. R. 639 and 2383, to authorize the establishment of an Invention Awards Board within the Department of Defense to recommend to the Secretary the making of awards for meritorious inventions substantially contributing to the national defense. Witnesses heard on the subject today were John C. Green, National Inventors Council, Department of Commerce; Fritz Lanham, representing the National Patent Council; Ray M. Harris, patent adviser, Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Supply and Logistics; Bernard Rosen, Director, Incentive Awards, Civil Service Commission; Dr. John F. Victory, executive secretary, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics; M. A. Sterner, Forest Hills, N. Y.; and E. Burke Wilford, chairman, Convertible Aircraft Pioneers, Merion, Pa. Statements were filed for the record on behalf of Representative Celler, author of H. R. 639; Fred Foulk, executive secretary, National Association of Manufacturers; and Mrs. Charlotte E. Gauer, executive secretary, American Patent Law Association. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

DUCK STAMPS—WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Fish and Wildlife Conservation met to consider H. R. 37, and similar bills, relating to duck-stamp funds; and H. R. 162, and similar bills, re the wildlife restoration program. Testifying today were Representative Johnson of Wisconsin, author of H. R. 2142, which would amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act so as to earmark not less than 40 percent of duck-stamp receipts for the refuge-acquisition program; and Representative O'Hara of Minnesota, author of H. R. 5256, to provide for the redemption of certain unused stamps. Other witnesses were W. R. Noble, National Association of Retail Hardware, who submitted a statement on H. R. 5256; and Charles H. Callison, conservation director of the National Wildlife Federation, who also presented the statement of Claude B. Kelly, president of the federation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning when authors of bills, and representatives of sportsmen's organizations, are scheduled to testify.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continued consideration of proposed legislation for Federal-aid highway construction, and heard testimony from James J. Nance, president of the Automobile Manufacturers Association, and also president of the Studebaker-Packard Corp. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 192, to remove the requirement, under the Flood Control Act of 1946, of the Salem Church Reservoir on the Rappahannock River, Va., that the power pool shall be maintained at an elevation not to exceed 220 feet.

ALASKA RESOURCES—HOUSING—MARKETS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, providing for 1 hour of debate, on H. R. 3990, authorizing Federal investigation and congressional report on the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska.

Also ordered reported to the House H. Res. 203, amended, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to housing; and H. Res. 210, amended, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to the Federal Open Market Committee. Recessed until Thursday morning.

CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 6040 and 6041, the Customs Simplification Act of 1955. Witnesses heard on the proposed legislation were Stacey Bender, Jr., director, Baltimore Association of Commerce; Allerton deC. Thompkins (on behalf of the United States Council of the International Chamber of Commerce, Inc.); O. R. Strackbein, chairman, Nation-Wide Committee of Industry, Agriculture, and Labor on Import-Export Policy; J. Bradley Colburn, on behalf of the Association of the Customs Bar; R. F. Hansen, on behalf of the Manufacturing Chemists Association; Reuben Johnson, who presented a statement on behalf of James G. Patton, president, National Farmers Unions; Lewis R. Parker, chairman, tariff committee, Woven Woolen Felt Industry; R. W. Hooker, vice president, Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers Association; John G. Lerch, on behalf of American producers, and George L. Bell, executive vice chairman, Committee for a National Trade Policy.

ALUMINUM STUDY

Select Committee on Small Business: Three witnesses testified before Subcommittee No. 3 today in connection with its study of current shortages and long-range problems in the aluminum industry. Those heard were Donovan Wilmot, vice president, Aluminum Co. of America; Richard S. Reynolds, Jr., president, Reynolds Metals Co., Richmond, Va.; and John C. Borton, Director, Office of Export Supply, Department of Commerce. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC ENERGY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Military Applications Subcommittee met in executive session to receive a report from Secretary of the Air Force Harold Talbott, and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Nathan F. Twining, but made no announcements and will meet again tomorrow.

Wednesday, May 25, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed second deficiency appropriations and passed highway construction bill, after rejecting motions to substitute for it the so-called administration bill and to recommit the bill.

House passed donable surplus farm commodities bill.

Senate Post Office Committee approved bill providing 8-percent average increase for postal workers.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 6962–6966

Bills Introduced: 15 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2065–S. 2079; and S. Res. 104.

Pages 6963–6964

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee.

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Second Deficiency Appropriations: Senate passed H. J. Res. 310, second urgent deficiency appropriations for fiscal 1955, with a clarifying amendment by Senator Hayden.

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Highway Construction: Senate passed with amendments S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act by authorizing appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, after rejecting by 39 yeas to 50 nays, Bush motion to recommit the bill, and after taking the following additional actions on amendments thereto:

Adopted: On division vote, Chavez amendment to eliminate section 17 of bill regarding requirement that all laborers and mechanics performing work on National System of Interstate Highways shall be paid wages in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act; modified Morse amendment specifying that apportionment may not be barred to any State allowing lawful operation on its public highways of any vehicle that could be so operated on July 1, 1955; modified Kefauver amendment directing Secretary of Commerce to make a report to the Committees on Public Works by February 1, 1956, with recommendations for best utilization of undesignated mileage of National System of Interstate Highways to eliminate bottlenecks in evacuation routes from civil-defense target areas; Kerr amendment to eliminate language which would have reserved right of reimbursement to States of Federal share of States' costs in relocating certain public utilities facilities; Stennis amendment providing that a maximum of 2 percent of any sum apportioned to any State may be expended solely for relocation of utility facilities; and Kerr amendment respecting laws or practice of a State where relocation cost of a utility facility is required to be borne by the utility; and

Rejected: Case (South Dakota) amendment to require autos and trucks using National System of Interstate Highways to buy special annual license stamps costing from $4 to $200 according to weight; modified Holland amendment to make effectiveness of certain highway additions dependent upon proclamation by President that at least 30,000 miles of the National System of Interstate Highways have been constructed or improved so as to be considered adequate; and on division vote, Holland amendment to eliminate language which would bar funds to any State within boundaries of which the National System of Interstate Highways may lawfully be used by vehicles with greater dimensions or weight than permitted on that State's highways.

In addition to these actions, Senate rejected, by 60 yeas to 31 nays, Martin (Pennsylvania) amendment (in nature of a substitute—so-called Administration bill), after first adopting Hickenlooper amendment to the substitute eliminating language allowing the State credit for an existing toll highway if it meets certain standards; and Bennett amendment to the substitute authorizing an increase of 2,500 miles in the National System of Interstate Highways. **Pages 6966–7033**

Internal Revenue Code: Senate made its pending business H. R. 4725, providing for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. **Page 7033**

Nominations: The nomination of John B. Hollister, of Ohio, to be Director of the International Cooperation Administration, was received, along with 80 Foreign Service and 1 judicial nomination, and the withdrawal of 1 postmaster nomination. In addition, Senate received the nominations of Adm. Arthur W. Radford to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Rear Adm. Arleigh A. Burke to be Chief of Naval Operations, and Gen. Nathan F. Twining to be Chief of Staff, Air Force. **Page 7034**

Recess: Recessed at 8:11 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE PROGRAMS FOR RICE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings on multiprice programs for rice, subcommittee heard testimony from George Blair, American Rice Growers Association, Lake Charles, La.; Robert H. Smith, Arkansas Rice Growers Cooperative Association, Stuttgart, Ark.; and H. D. Chalkley, Lake Charles, La.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 6367, appropriations for Commerce Department and related agencies for fiscal 1956, subcommittee heard further testimony from Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks. Also testifying were Under Secretary Walter Williams; Assistant Secretary for Administration George Moore; Dr. Allen V. Astin, Director of the National Bureau of Standards; Rear Adm. Robert W. Knox, Coast and Geodetic Survey; Theodore Hardeen, Jr., Administrator, Defense Air Transportation Administration; and Arthur W. Crocker, Assistant Commissioner, Patent Office. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for fiscal 1956, the subcommittee considered queries from Senators on funds for the Federal Communications Commission.

Hearings continue Friday, May 27, with testimony on funds for the Veterans' Administration.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, hearing testimony, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

Senator Dirksen and local witnesses on Calumet River and Harbor navigation project in Illinois;

Local witnesses on a navigation project at the mouth of the Columbia River;

Senator Kuchel, Representative Baldwin, and local witnesses on Richmond Harbor navigation project in California;

Local witnesses on a project at Honolulu Harbor;

Local witnesses in opposition to Sacramento deep-water channel, California;

Representatives of National Rural Electric Cooperative Association on miscellaneous power projects;

Representative Davis (Georgia) on Buford Dam, Ga.; and

Senator Saltonstall, who appeared with regard to river and harbor, flood control, and beach erosion projects in Massachusetts.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE, JUSTICE, AND JUDICIARY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, completed marking up H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee with amendments.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction continued its hearings on the Air Force title of S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, hearing testimony from Brig. Gen. J. F. Rodenhauser, Director of Real Property, Col. O. O. Price, and Col. W. G. Moore, all of the Air Force.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing completed executive consideration of miscellaneous proposed housing legislation, and agreed to report thereon to the full committee on Friday, May 27.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, receiving testimony from Mrs. Mella Hort, formerly employed as a contract administrator at the Army Quartermaster Corps, New York; William Ienni, formerly an inspector of Navy hats made for Bonita Originals at Mayaguez, P. R.; Maj. Eric C. Farnell, presently at the Quartermaster Depot at Leghorn, Italy, and formerly a contracting officer at ASTAPA and at the New York Procurement Agency; and Leon Levy, formerly of Bonita Originals, Inc., New York City. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—S. 1250, to declare a part of Pike Creek in Kenosha, Wis., a nonnavigable stream; H. R. 4646, to remove the requirement as to verifying under oath certain certificates of vessel inspection; H. R. 5224, to authorize certain early discharges of enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard; and S. 1419, to lower the age requirements with respect to optional retirement of persons serving in the Coast Guard who served in the former Lighthouse Service; and

With amendments—S. 1300, to declare a certain portion of the waterway at Greenwich, Conn., a nonnavigable stream; and S. 1469, to declare a portion of the waterway at Bridgeport, Conn., a nonnavigable stream.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act, hearing testimony from Thomas C. Buchanan, an attorney of Beaver, Pa., who opposed enactment of S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act, and Randall J. LeBoeuf, Jr., counsel for Consolidated Edison, New York, and W. B. Tippy, executive vice president, Commonwealth Service, Inc., New York, who opposed this bill in its present form and recommended amendments thereto. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on the nominations of John R. Brown, of Texas, to be U. S. circuit judge of the fifth circuit, and William G. East to be U. S. district judge for the district of Oregon. Senator Daniel appeared in behalf of Mr. Brown, and Senator Morse appeared in behalf of Mr. East. Mr. Brown appeared in behalf of his own nomination.

POSTAL PAY INCREASE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, unanimously ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 2061, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department (provides 8-percent average increase). Prior to this action, the committee rejected, by a vote of 6 to 4, S. 2062, a related bill which would provide an increase of 7½ percent.

The committee also ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 4817, relating to the payment of money orders, and 120 postmaster nominations.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 30 public bills, H. R. 6454–6483; 15 private bills, H. R. 6484–6498; and 14 resolutions, H. J. Res. 315 and 316, H. Con. Res. 136–145, and H. Res. 252 and 253, were introduced. Pages 7065–7066

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 265, to amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands in order to increase the limitation with respect to desert entries made under such acts to 320 acres, amended (H. Rept. 626);

H. R. 4894, repealing certain laws relating to timber and stone on the public domain (H. Rept. 627);

H. R. 1844, to amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands in order to increase the limitation with respect to desert entries made under such acts to 320 acres, amended (H. Rept. 628);

H. Res. 226, authorizing the printing of 1,000 additional copies of Study of Newsprint Expansion: Part II, Newsprint Production From Hardwoods (H. Rept. 629);

H. Res. 155, to provide funds for the studies and investigations to be conducted by the Committee on Education and Labor pursuant to H. Res. 154, amended (H. Rept. 630);

S. Con. Res. 24, relative to placing temporarily in the Capitol rotunda a statue of the late Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana (H. Rept. 631);

S. J. Res. 18, reappointment of Dr. Jerome Hunsaker as citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution (H. Rept. 632); and

Conference report on S. 727 to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, the D. C. municipal court, juvenile court, and the Tax Court (H. Rept. 633). Pages 7064–7065

D. C. Judges' Salary: Insisted on its amendment to S. 727, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, municipal court, juvenile court, and the Tax Court; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives McMillan, Abernethy, Harris, Simpson of Illinois, and O'Hara of Minnesota. Page 7035

Second Urgent Deficiency Appropriation: Agreed to Senate amendments to H. J. Res. 310, making additional appropriations for fiscal year 1955, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Page 7036

Indiana Toll Charges: By a record vote of 205 yeas to 166 nays the House adopted H. Res. 244, creating a select committee to conduct an investigation and study of the financial position of the White County Bridge Commission in connection with operation of bridge and approaches near New Harmony, Ind. Pages 7036, 7038–7044

Administrative Resolutions: Considered and adopted the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

Printing: H. Res. 226, authorizing the printing of 1,000 additional copies of Study of Newsprint Expansion: Part II, Newsprint Production From Hardwoods.

Education and Labor study: H. Res. 155, amended to provide $125,000 for the studies and investigations to be conducted by the Committee on Education and Labor pursuant to H. Res. 154.

Edward Douglass White: S. Con. Res. 24, relative to placing temporarily in the Capitol rotunda a statue of the late Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana.

Smithsonian Institution: S. J. Res. 18, reappointment of Dr. Jerome Hunsaker as citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

Pages' salary: H. Res. 252, authorizing additional appropriation of $16,093 for salary of page boys for balance of year. Pages 7047–7048

Donable Commodities: By a record vote of 344 yeas to 1 nay, the House passed H. R. 2851, to make agricultural commodities owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation available to persons in need in areas of acute distress. Adopted a committee substitute amendment that supplied new text for the bill.

H. Res. 249, the rule making in order the consideration of the bill, had been previously adopted. Pages 7044–7046, 7048–7060

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:46 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT

Committee on Agriculture: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration; and increase borrowing participation in the management and control of the Farm Credit System. Witnesses heard today were Representative Coon, of Oregon; Tom Heath, of Idaho, who was introduced by Representative Budge; Carl F. Dodge, Nevada Livestock Production Credit Association; John Riggle, National Council of Farm Cooperatives; Frank K. Woolley, American Farm Bureau Federation; Lloyd Halverson, National Grange;

Marion R. Garstano, National Milk Producers Federation; and M. J. Briggs, Indianapolis, Ind., representing the Louisville (Ky.) district of the Farm Credit Administration.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Representatives of the Department of the Navy met in today's session and will return tomorrow for further testimony and interrogation.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Government officials continued their testimony today in support of H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Testifying were Franklin G. Floete, Assistance Secretary of Defense for Properties and Installations; Kenneth L. Scott, Director, Agriculture Credit Services; and R. B. McLeaish, Farmers Home Administrator. Also heard representatives of the American Legion, as follows: C. H. Olsen, assistant legislative director, and John Evans, chairman of its aeronautics committee. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee completed a hearing on H. R. 5892, to authorize officers and members of the Metropolitan Police Force and the D. C. Fire Department voluntarily to perform certain services on their time off from regular scheduled tours of duty and to receive compensation therefor. Witnesses heard were Irving Bryan, Chief, Legislative and Opinions Division, D. C. Corporation Counsel's Office; and Robert V. Murray, Chief, Metropolitan Police Department.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Chairman Barden announced the appointment of the following members to serve as a subcommittee to prepare a draft bill on Federal-aid school construction for reporting to the full committee—Representatives Kelley of Pennsylvania (chairman), Elliott, Landrum, Bailey, Thompson of New Jersey, McConnell, Gwinn, Kearns, and Frelinghuysen.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Landrum subcommittee began hearings today on H. R. 2971, and related bills, to provide Federal aid to States for the demonstration of public library service in rural areas without such service or with inadequate library facilities. Members of Congress who have introduced bills on this subject were the opening witnesses, as follows: Representatives Elliott (H. R. 2971), Griffiths (H. R. 3012), and Bailey (H. R. 2806).

In an afternoon session the subcommittee heard testimony from Samuel M. Brownell, Commissioner, U. S. Office of Education. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in open session and heard testimony from John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, on the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the scheduled witness will be H. Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary (International Security Affairs), Department of Defense, on the same subject.

FEDERAL PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks (Texas) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2889, to provide for the conveyance of certain land in Necedah, Wis., to the village of Necedah. The subcommittee also considered, but postponed further action on, five other similar property releases and transfers located in Arkansas, Missouri, and South Carolina.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee considered H. R. 5838, to provide that payment be made to certain members of the Pine Ridge Sioux Tribe of Indians as reimbursement for damages suffered as the result of the establishment of the Pine Ridge aerial gunnery range, and to provide a rehabilitation program for the Pine Ridge Sioux Tribe of Indians. Testimony in favor of the proposal was received today from Representative Berry, author of the bill; Ben Reifel, superintendent of the Pine Ridge Agency, and other officials and members of the Pine Ridge Sioux Tribe.

MENTALLY ILL, ALASKA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien (New York) subcommittee held executive meeting on H. R. 6334, providing for hospitalization and care of the mentally ill of Alaska. Took no final action and adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SALK VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Began hearings on H. R. 6286, to authorize appropriation of $28 million to assist States in providing Salk vaccine for underprivileged children as immunization against poliomyelitis. Also considered H. R. 6207, to amend the Public Health Act to strengthen control of vaccine. Roswell B. Perkins, Undersecretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, presented the statement of Secretary Hobby on the measures. Also heard Dr. Leonard A.

Scheele, U. S. Surgeon General, and other representatives of the HEW Department. Recessed until Friday morning when departmental officials are scheduled to return for interrogation.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held a public hearing on H. R. 3425, to confer jurisdiction on the Court of Claims to render judgment on claims of customs officers and employees to extra compensation for Sunday, holiday, and overtime services performed after August 31, 1931.

In executive session, it ordered reported to the full committee 12 private claim bills of the House, and reported adversely on H. R. 3425, the above-mentioned bill, and 1 other private claim bill of the House.

BRANCATO CASE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 heard Gen. J. M. Swing, Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, in connection with the Francisco Brancato deportation case. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems received testimony today from the following witnesses—Hoyt Steele, Des Plaines, Ill., representing the U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Julian Caplan, attorney, San Francisco, Calif.; W. E. Hamilton, director of research, American Farm Bureau Federation; Clarence McMillan, executive secretary, National Candy Wholesalers Association; and Maurice Mermy, director, Bureau of Education and Fair Trade. Recessed its hearings until June 6.

DUCK STAMPS—WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Members of Congress testified today before the Subcommittee on Fish and Wildlife Conservation on bills to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of 1934, and bills providing for Federal aid to States in wildlife restoration projects. The witnesses were Representatives Thompson of Texas, Gathings, Price, Engle, Christopher, Metcalf, and Young. Also heard on the subject were Michael Hudoba, editor of Sports Afield; and Carl Shoemaker, chief counsel, International Association of Game, Fish, and Conservation Commissioners. Recessed until tomorrow morning when officials of the Department of Interior are scheduled to testify.

POSTAL CONTRACTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Alexander subcommittee considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4938, to permit the Postmaster General to enter into contracts for the conduct of contract stations on such terms as he deems to be in the interest of the United States (now limited to a period of 2 years).

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Testimony on proposals for Federal-aid highway construction was presented today by the following witnesses—John Kalupa, deputy controller appearing on behalf of the Milwaukee (Wis.) Common Council, who was accompanied by Shepard Magidson, administrative assistant to the controller; John N. Robertson, D. C. Director of Highways, and president, American Road Builders' Association; James D. Hopkins, county executive, Westchester County, N. Y.; and Harold Garrity, Yonkers, N. Y. Recessed until tomorrow when utility witnesses are scheduled for the morning session, and Senator Gore, of Tennessee, is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon.

ALUMINUM STUDY

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 3 concluded the first part of its hearings on current shortages and long-range problems of the aluminum industry. In a statement made at the completion of today's session, it was announced that recent testimony has shown an obvious shortage existing, and that unless additional supplies of raw material are made available to nonintegrated users of aluminum for the second half of 1955, many small-business firms in the aluminum industry will encounter further difficulties. The final witness heard was D. A. Rhoades, vice president and general manager, Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., Washington, D. C.

GASOLINE-STATION OPERATIONS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 5 resumed public hearings in connection with its study of alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by major oil companies against retail gasoline-station operators. The present series will hear representatives of major companies. Today's witness was Herbert Willetts, director and vice president in charge of domestic marketing, Socony-Mobiloil Co., Inc. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to hear J. W. Ross, assistant general manager of sales, Standard Oil of Indiana.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation met in executive session to mark up a draft bill authorizing the Atomic Energy Commission's construction program, but did not complete its work and recessed subject to call.

GUIDED MISSILES PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Military Applications met in executive session with Assistant Air Force Secretary Trevor Gardner and AEC Commissioner Dr. John von Neumann to discuss the guided missiles program, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

Thursday, May 26, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 14 sundry bills, including one to amend Internal Revenue Code, and took up State, Justice, and Judiciary appropriations bill.

Reclamation bill passed by House.

Senate Foreign Relations Committee approved draft bill of Mutual Security Act of 1955.

Bill extending Mexican farm-labor program cleared for House by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7078–7083

Bills Introduced: 10 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2080–S. 2089; and S. Res. 105–106. **Pages 7079–7080**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report of Committee on Banking and Currency entitled "Stock Market Study," accompanied by individual and minority views (S. Rept. 376);

S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education, with amendment (S. Rept. 377);

H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the judiciary, and related agencies, with amendments (S. Rept. 378);

H. R. 5224, to authorize certain early discharges of enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard (S. Rept. 379);

H. R. 4646, to remove the requirement as to verifying under oath certain certificates of vessel inspection (S. Rept. 380);

S. 1419, to lower the age requirements with respect to optional retirement of persons serving in the Coast Guard who served in the former Lighthouse Service (S. Rept. 381); and

S. 2061, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, with amendments (S. Rept. 382). **Page 7079**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 7077**

President's Message—ILO: President transmitted texts of 4 conventions and 8 recommendations adopted at Geneva by the International Labor Conference, as follows, which were referred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare:

Convention (No. 99) concerning minimum wage fixing machinery in agriculture, adopted June 28, 1951;

Convention (No. 100) concerning equal remuneration for men and women workers for work of equal value, adopted June 29, 1951;

Convention (No. 101) concerning holidays with pay in agriculture, adopted June 26, 1952;

Convention (No. 103) concerning maternity protection (revised 1952), adopted June 28, 1952;

Recommendation (No. 89) concerning minimum wage fixing machinery in agriculture, adopted June 28, 1951;

Recommendation (No. 90) concerning equal remuneration for men and women workers for work of equal value, adopted June 29, 1951;

Recommendation (No. 93) concerning holidays with pay in agriculture, adopted June 26, 1952;

Recommendation (No. 94) concerning consultation and cooperation between employers and workers at the level of the undertaking, adopted June 26, 1952;

Recommendation (No. 95) concerning maternity protection, adopted June 28, 1952;

Recommendation (No. 96) concerning the minimum age of admission to work underground in coal mines, adopted June 19, 1953;

Recommendation (No. 97) concerning the protection of the health of workers in places of employment, adopted June 25, 1953; and

Recommendation (No. 98) concerning holidays with pay, adopted June 23, 1954. **Pages 7077, 7126–7127**

Internal Revenue Code: Senate passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 4725, providing for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses. **Pages 7083–7086**

Disaster Loan Interest Rates: Senate passed, without amendment, S. 1755, to reduce interest rates from 5 to 3 percent on disaster loans. **Pages 7086–7088**

Reclamation Projects Distribution: Senate passed, with committee amendment, H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies. **Pages 7100–7101**

Washita River Reclamation, Oklahoma: S. 180, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma, was passed with committee amendments. **Pages 7089–7091**

Rights-of-Way Acquisition: Senate passed, with committee amendments, S. 1464, to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber access roads. Page 7101

National Park Museums: Senate passed, with committee amendments, S. 1747, to increase the public benefits from the national park system by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto. Pages 7101–7102

Armed Services Construction: S. 1138, to extend authority for construction by the armed services during a war or national emergency, was passed without amendment. Page 7102

Coast Guard Contracts: Senate passed, without amendment, H. R. 3885, to authorize the waiving of the requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts. Page 7102

Reserve Officer Personnel: S. 1718, Reserve Officer Personnel Act amendments, was passed with committee amendments. Pages 7102–7104

Saline Water Use: Senate passed with amendments, H. R. 2126, extension of the saline-water program, after first discharging Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs from further consideration of the bill. Before the bill was passed, it was amended by substituting for its text the language of S. 516, a similar bill, as reported with committee amendments.

S. 516 was then indefinitely postponed. Pages 7104–7105

Western Boundary Fence: S. 76, authorizing appropriations for construction, operation, and maintenance of the western land boundary fence project, U. S. and Mexico, was passed without amendment. Pages 7105–7106

Boston Historic Sites: Senate passed, with committee amendments, S. J. Res. 6, Boston National Historic Sites Commission. Pages 7106–7107

Indian Land Leases, Arizona: S. 34, long-term leasing of restricted Indian lands in Arizona for certain purposes, was passed with committee amendments. Pages 7091–7092

Land Transfer, Arizona: Senate passed, with committee amendments, S. 55, authorizing appropriations for purchase by U. S. of privately owned lands within the Coconino and Sitgreaves National Forests, Ariz. Pages 7107–7114

State, Justice, and Judiciary Appropriations: Senate made its pending business H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the judiciary, and related agencies. Page 7107

Confirmations: Nominations of 120 postmasters were confirmed. Pages 7124–7125

Recess: Recessed at 3:38 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PRICE PROGRAM FOR RICE

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on multiprice programs for rice, hearing testimony today from J. L. Alioto, special counsel, Rice Growers Association of California, Sacramento. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE, JUSTICE, AND JUDICIARY

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the judiciary, and related agencies. As approved, the bill would provide total funds of $481,985,418, an increase of $31,587,191 over the House-passed figure of $450,398,227.

APPROPRIATIONS—AIR FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, subcommittee heard further testimony in behalf of Air Force items, as follows:

On major procurement other than aircraft appropriation—Maj. Gen. George W. Mundy, Director of Supply and Services, Air Force;

On Reserve personnel appropriation—Brig. Gen. William S. Stone, Deputy Director of Personnel Planning, Air Force;

On Air National Guard appropriation—Brig. Gen. Winston P. Wilson, Chief of Air Force Division, National Guard Bureau;

On maintenance and operations appropriation—Maj. Gen. Frank A. Bogart, Director of Budget, Air Force; and

On working capital funds—Maj. Gen. Frank Bogart.

Also testifying was Lyle S. Garlock, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management).

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department and related agencies, hearing testimony today from the following departmental witnesses: Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation Louis S. Rothschild; Walter C. Ford, Deputy Administrator, and Leonard F. Nichols, budget officer, both of the Maritime Administration; Charles Curtis, Commissioner, Bureau of Public Roads; Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs Henry F.

Holland, who testified with regard to public roads; Delbert M. Little, Assistant Chief for Administration, U. S. Weather Bureau; and Oscar H. Neilson, Director, Office of Budget and Management, Commerce Department. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on proposed 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

Senator Scott on survey money for Cape Fear River, N. C.;

Senators Morse and Neuberger on river and harbor, flood control, and multiple-purpose projects in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest;

Senator Bennett on planning funds for Salt Lake City flood-control project, and survey money for Jordan River in Utah;

Senator Mansfield on flood control and power projects in Montana;

Representative Moss in support of funds for Sacramento deep-water channel navigation project in California;

Local witnesses on Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., bridge;

Outside witnesses in opposition to Calumet-Sag channel navigation project, Illinois; and

Senators Holland and Smathers, Representatives Rogers (Fla.), Sikes, Herlong, Matthews, and Cramer, and local witnesses for flood control, rivers and harbors, multiple-purpose projects, and survey funds for the State of Florida.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BRIEFING BY AIR FORCE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing on recent developments affecting the Air Force programs from Secretary of the Air Force Harold Talbott and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Nathan Twining.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Service: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction met for the consideration of Air Force acquisition No. 274, Consolidated Vultee plant No. 2 at San Diego, Calif., and heard testimony from Robert W. Barker, a local attorney representing persons owning substantial amounts of the property involved, and Max Golden, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Materiel. Subcommittee took no action and recessed subject to call.

NATIONAL BANK BILLS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment S. 1187, relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks, and S. 1188, relating to examination of national banks; with amendments S. 1189, to permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans, 9-month construction loans, and 18-month commercial construction loans; and with an amendment S. 1736, relating to the qualifications of directors of national banking associations.

D. C. BILLS AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee ordered favorably reported with an amendment S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education, and with amendments S. 1289, to establish a family court in and for the D. C. The committee also approved the nominations of Robert E. McLaughlin to be a D. C. Commissioner, and George E. C. Hayes to be a member of the D. C. Public Utilities Commission.

Prior to the approval of the above nominations, committee held hearings thereon.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, by a vote of 13 to 2, ordered favorably reported a draft print of the Mutual Security Act of 1955. As approved by the committee, the bill would authorize total funds of $3.408 billion.

The committee also approved the nominations of Richard L. Jones, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to Liberia, and Selden Chapin, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Iran.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, receiving testimony from Comdr. John Burkhardt, Commanding Officer, Navy Clothing Supplies, Quartermaster Depot, Philadelphia; Louis R. Alperstein, of Philadelphia, formerly stationed in San Juan, P. R., as inspector for ASTAPA; and Vere Painter, treasurer of Spencer Manufacturing Co., San Juan. Hearings continue Wednesday, June 1.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act, hearing testimony today from P. L. Farnand, of Nichols, Mullin, Farnand & Lee, Minneapolis, Minn.; Vernon Thompson, attorney general of Wisconsin; John Heyke, president, Brooklyn Union Gas Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.; D. G. Allen, attorney, of Boston; C. H. Frazier, United Gas Improvement Co., Philadelphia; and Edward G. Boyer, manager, gas department, Philadelphia Electric Co., all of

whom opposed (in its present form) S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act, and suggested amendments to this bill. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 31.

JUDGESHIP BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Improvements in Judicial Machinery began hearings on S. 1256, and other related bills providing for the appointment of additional circuit and district judges, hearing testimony today, as follows:

Senators Millikin and Allott, who favored S. 1634, additional district judge for district of Colorado;

Senator Schoeppel, who favored S. 144, additional district judge for district of Kansas;

Senators Malone and Bible, who favored S. 1045, making permanent certain temporary judgeships;

Senators Bush and Purtell, and J. Joseph Smith, U. S. district judge for the district of Connecticut, who favored S. 1470, additional district judge for the district of Connecticut;

Senators Butler and Beall, J. Crosson Cooper, president, Bar Association of Baltimore City, Reuben Oppenheimer, Maryland State Bar Association, and Eli Baer, Federal Bar Association, who favored S. 2070, additional district judge for district of Maryland;

Senator Eastland, who favored those provisions of S. 1256 relating to Mississippi;

Senator Hickenlooper, who favored S. 149, additional district judge for the northern and southern districts of Iowa; and

John Biggs, Jr., chief judge, third circuit, representing Judicial Conference of U. S., and Will Shafroth, Chief, Division of Procedural Studies and Statistics, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts, both of whom testified on the recommendations of the Judicial Conference.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

SALK ANTIPOLIO VACCINE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met in executive session for the consideration of S. 1925, to authorize the President to provide for prompt, fair, and effective distribution and use of poliomyelitis vaccine to prevent abuses and safeguarding the public interest, but took no actions and will meet again tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program began its hearings, with testimony today from Civil Service Commissioner George M. Moore, who testified and was questioned with regard to published news reports relating to certain statements which he is alleged to have made in recent published addresses pertaining to the wrongful suspension and restoration to duty of large numbers of Federal employees. Hearings continue Thursday, June 2.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors and Flood Control met in executive session for the consideration of S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act, but did not complete its work and will meet again Wednesday, June 1.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 32 public bills, H. R. 6499–6530; 10 private bills, H. R. 6531–6540; and 15 resolutions, H. J. Res. 317–325, H. Con. Res. 146 and 147, and H. Res. 254–257, were introduced. Pages 7129–7130, 7134, 7174–7176

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 6499, making appropriations for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 634);

H. Res. 254, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5376, to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (H. Rept. 635);

Seven private bills, H. Res. 250, H. R. 1015, 1219, 1447, 1488, 1708, and 1739 (H. Repts. 636–642, respectively);

H. Res. 255, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 3822, to amend title V of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, by striking out the termination date (H. Rept. 643);

Six private bills, H. R. 1963, 2946, 3027, 3193, 3376, and 3982 (H. Repts. 644–649, respectively);

H. Res. 256, waiving points of order against H. R. 6499, making appropriations for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 650);

Ten private bills, H. R. 4026, 4162, 4181, 4634, 5871, 5951, 6082, 6281, 6282, and 6395 (H. Repts. 651–660, respectively);

S. Con. Res. 26, providing for continuation of operation of Government tin smelters at Texas City, Tex. (H. Rept. 661);

H. R. 619, to provide that all U. S. currency shall bear the inscription "In God We Trust" (H. Rept. 662);

H. R. 5512, to provide for the conveyance of certain property under the jurisdiction of the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to the State of Louisiana (H. Rept. 663);

S. 755, authorizing conveyance of certain war housing projects to the cities of Warwick and Hampton, Va. (H. Rept. 664);

H. R. 1843, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain property of the U. S. Government (in the Wyoming National Guard Camp Guernsey target and maneuver area, Platte County, Wyo.) to the State of Wyoming (H. Rept. 665);

S. 266, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain property of the U. S. Government (in the Wyoming National Guard Camp Guernsey target and maneuver area, Platte County, Wyo.) to the State of Wyoming (H. Rept. 666).

Sixteen private bills, H. R. 3636, S. 39, 68, 89, 93, 121, 129, 193, 236, 320, 321, 351, 407, 439, 504, and 844 (H. Repts. 667–682, respectively);

Interim report of the Committee on Interior and Foreign Commerce entitled "Newsprint Study—Current Newsprint Outlook" (H. Rept. 683); and

H. R. 5876, deposit of photographs in copyright office in lieu of certain published works, amended (H. Rept. 684). Pages 7173–7174

President's Message—ILO: Received a message from the President transmitting authentic texts of 4 conventions and 8 recommendations adopted at Geneva by the International Labor Conference. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 172). Pages 7126–7127

D. C. Judges' Salary: By a record vote of 170 yeas to 165 nays the House recommitted to the conference committee S. 727, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, the D. C. municipal court, juvenile court, and the Tax Court, with instructions to insist on the amendments adopted in the House. Pages 7130–7134

Reclamation: Passed by a division vote of 166 yeas to 48 nays, H. R. 5881, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects. A recommittal motion designed to limit the scope of the bill to the 17 western reclamation States was rejected by a record vote of 62 yeas to 229 nays.

Adopted an amendment authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to administer the proposed program in the nonreclamation States under powers similar to those of the Secretary of the Interior.

Also adopted a perfecting amendment relating to reports to Congress. Pages 7134–7159

Bill Referred: S. 1048, to amend and supplement the Federal-Aid Road Act approved July 11, 1916 (30 Stat. 335), as amended and supplemented, to authorize appropriations for continuing the construction of highways, and for other purposes, was referred to the Committee on Public Works. Page 7173

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:15 p. m.

Committee Meetings

PERISHABLE COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Domestic Marketing held hearings today in connection with H. R. 5337 and 5818, to amend the provisions of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act of 1930, relating to practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities. Two officials of the Fruit and Vegetable Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, testified—George Grange, Deputy Director, and J. J. Diamond, Chief of the Regulatory Branch. Representing the General Counsel's Office of the Department of Agriculture were James E. Horton and Charles W. Bucy. Other witnesses were Representative Budge, of Idaho; C. W. Kitchen, executive vice president, United Fruit and Vegetable Association; and G. S. Rice, Idaho State Advertisers Commission. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Witnesses heard today were Maj. Joseph Clark, of Philadelphia, Pa.; Mayor Donald Mead, of Syracuse, N. Y.; Bert Seidman of the AFL; and Wallace Campbell, Cooperative League of the United States. Recessed until Thursday morning, June 2.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Landrum subcommittee continued hearings today on H. R. 2971, and related bills, to provide Federal aid to States for the demonstration of public library service in rural areas without such service or with inadequate library facilities. Testimony in support of the proposed subject was received today from Representatives Thompson of Michigan; Robeson, of Virginia; and Brownson, of

Indiana; along with officials of educational and civic organizations, and interested citizens. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held an open hearing, followed by executive session, and heard testimony from H. Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary (International Security Affairs), Department of Defense, on the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee held further consideration of H. R. 5838, to provide that payment be made to certain members of the Pine Ridge Sioux Tribe of Indians as reimbursement for damages suffered as the result of the establishment of the Pine Ridge aerial gunnery range, and to provide a rehabilitation program for the Pine Ridge Sioux Tribe of Indians. Witnesses heard today were Senators Case and Mundt, of South Dakota; H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Moses Two Bulls, president, Oglala Sioux Tribe; and Ben Reifel, superintendent of the Pine Ridge Agency.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 5566 and related bills, to terminate the existence of the Indian Claims Commission at the end of 5 years, from and after April 10, 1957, or at such earlier time as the Commission shall have made its final report to the Congress on all claims filed with it. Testifying on the subject were Assistant Attorney General, Perry W. Morton, Lands Division, Department of Justice; and Ralph A. Barney, Indian Claims Section, Department of Justice. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: In executive session today, the following amendments were adopted on H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from FPC regulation—(1) Amendment to section 2—

(e) In regulating the rates and charges of a natural-gas company, the Commission shall allow as an operating expense of such natural-gas company, for natural gas produced by it, the reasonable market price of such natural gas at the point at which the gas is delivered into the transportation facilities of the natural-gas company in or within the vicinity of the field or fields where produced, and for gas purchased from an affiliate, the amount paid to such affiliate for such gas up to but not in excess of the reasonable market price of such natural gas at the point at which the gas is delivered into the transportation facilities of the natural-gas company in or within the vicinity of the field or fields where produced.

(f) Whenever, in connection with an increase in the price of natural gas under the provisions of an escalation clause, the Commission, pursuant to subsection (c), has made a determination as to the reasonable market price of such natural gas, the natural-gas company shall be obligated to pay only such part of the increase in price as results in a price which does not exceed such reasonable market price; and, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the contract containing such escalation clause shall continue in effect according to its terms as though this subsection had not been enacted.

Amendment to section 3, on page 3, line 21, strike out beginning with the quotation mark down through line 2 on page 4, and insert—

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this subsection, in passing upon an application for a certificate which is supported by a natural-gas purchase contract, the Commission shall consider whether the price to be paid for such natural gas is the reasonable market price thereof at the point at which the gas is to be delivered into the transportation facilities of the natural-gas company in or within the vicinity of the field or fields where produced, considering, among other things, whether the contract price has been competitively arrived at, the effect of the contract upon the assurance of supply, and the reasonableness of the provisions of the contract as they relate to existing or future market field prices.

Recessed until next Wednesday, June 1.

INTERSTATE OFFENSES—COPYRIGHTS—IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3233, to provide that it shall be a criminal offense to move or travel in interstate or foreign commerce with intent to avoid prosecution, or giving testimony, or custody, etc., after conviction, for arson punishable as a felony;

H. R. 3333, to amend the U. S. Code relating to the mailing and transportation of obscene matter;

H. R. 5876, to amend the copyright law to permit, in certain classes of works, the deposit of photographs or other identifying reproductions in lieu of copies of published works;

73 private immigration bills (58 of the House and 15 of the Senate); and 23 private claims bills of the House.

The committee also ordered tabled H. R. 479, providing Federal compensation to the borough of Blairsville, Pa., for certain land and improvement thereon; 17 private immigration bills of the House; and 3 private claims bills of the House.

DUCK STAMPS—WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Subcommittee on Fish and Wildlife Conservation concluded hearings on bills to amend the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of 1934, and bills providing for Federal aid to States in wildlife restoration projects. The final witnesses were E. J. Walsh, Director, Division of Cost Analysis, Bureau of Finance (Post Office Department); and John L. Farley, Director of the Fish and Wildlife Services, who was accompanied by J. Clark Sayler, Chief, Branch of Wildlife Refuges; and Robert M. Rutherford, Chief, Branch of Federal Aid.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Lands: Continuing with its hearings on the subject of Federal-aid highway legislation, the committee heard testimony today from Senator Gore, of Tennessee; Dr. Burton Behling, of the Association of American Railroads; and Clarence Miles, of Baltimore, Md., along with other representatives of utility companies located throughout the country. Recessed on the subject until next Wednesday morning.

MEXICAN FARM LABOR—RURAL ELECTRIFICATION—APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules providing for 1 hour of general debate on each of the following bills:

H. R. 3822, to extend for 3½ years the Mexican farm labor program; and H. R. 5376, elimination of limitations on rural electrification loan funds. Representative Cooley spoke on both proposals, and Representative Gathings was also heard on the Mexican labor bill.

Granted a rule waiving point of order against H. R. 6499, making appropriations for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for fiscal 1956. Witnesses heard on this measure were Representatives Andrews and Fenton.

VETERANS' INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Insurance held hearings on 32 miscellaneous proposals pertaining to veterans' insurance. Witnesses heard today were Representatives Fino, of New York, and Davis, of Georgia; Charles G. Beck, Deputy Veterans' Administrator for Insurance; Lyman Hismith, representing the Department of Defense; and H. A. Augoustinilli, of the AMVETS. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

GASOLINE-STATION OPERATIONS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 5 held further public hearings in connection with its study of alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by major oil companies against retail gasoline station operators. Testifying today were the following representatives of major companies—James W. Ross, assistant general manager of the sales department, Standard Oil of Indiana; S. C. Bartlett, vice president, Texas Co.; R. C. Scholl, vice president, Esso Standard Oil Co.; and J. G. Jordan, Shell Oil Co. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Friday, May 27, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses received President's message on refugee relief.
Senate Banking Committee approved housing bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7186–7191

Bills Introduced: 12 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2090–S. 2101. Page 7187

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955 (S. Rept. 383);

S. 1289, to establish a family court in and for the D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 384); and

H. R. 4817, relating to the payment of money orders (S. Rept. 385). Page 7187

President's Message—Refugee Relief: Message was received from President, transmitting 10 specified recommendations for amendment of the Refugee Relief Act of 1953—referred to Committee on the Judiciary. Pages 7186, 7195–7196

Private Resolution: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. Con. Res. 17, a private resolution. This completes legislative action on the measure. Page 7193

Authorization to Report: Authorization was granted to committees to file reports during Senate recess. Page 7191

Confirmations: Three civilian nominations, including that of Robert E. McLaughlin, of D. C., to be a Commissioner of the District of Columbia, were confirmed, along with three Navy nominations. Page 7194

Nominations: Four civilian nominations were received, including those of Edward J. Sparks, of New York, to be Ambassador to Guatemala, and Richard A. Mack, of Florida, to be a member of FCC. Page 1794

Recess: Recessed at 10:37 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for 1956, hearing testimony today in behalf of funds for VA hospital construction from H. V. Higley, Administrator of Veterans' Affairs. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, hearing testimony today from Maj. Gen. Merritt A. Edson, Director, National Rifle Association, and members of the National Board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice; Clem D. Johnston, former president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, and other outside witnesses who testified in opposition to section 638 of the bill. Subcommittee also heard other public witnesses testify on miscellaneous provisions of the bill. Hearings continue Tuesday in executive session.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department and related agencies, subcommittee heard testimony today in behalf of funds for the Civil Aeronautics Board from Chairman Ross Rizley, and M. C. Mulligan, secretary; and in behalf of funds for the Panama Canal Company and Canal Zone Government from J. S. Seybold, president. Hearings continue Tuesday, May 31.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony today, as follows:

Senator Ervin on Wilmington (N. C.) Harbor navigation project;

Senator Potter and local witnesses on Michigan waterways navigation project;

Senators Clements and Bender and local witnesses on Ohio River navigation projects; and

A local witness on Delaware River navigation project.

Subcommittee announced that all public witnesses who have requested to be heard have been heard, and that phase of the hearings has been completed.

Hearings continue Tuesday, May 31, to hear representatives of the Corps of Engineers, Army, on navigation projects.

SBA, NATIONAL BANKS, AND HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

(1) An original bill extending the Small Business Administration for 2 years, increasing individual loan limit of SBA from $150 million to $250 million, and making drought-stricken areas eligible for disaster loans;

(2) Without amendment S. 1187, relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks, and S. 1188, relating to examination of national banks; with amendments S. 1189, to permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans, 9-month construction loans, and 18-month commercial construction loans; and with an amendment S. 1736, relating to the qualifications of directors of national banking associations; and

(3) An original bill embodying, with certain amendments, the provisions of S. 1800, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Major agreements of the committee on this proposed housing legislation would (*a*) authorize $4 billion for continuance of FHA's insurance programs; (*b*) return to the 1949 Public Housing Act's provisions allowing a net total of approximately 600,000 units at the rate of not more than 135,000 per year; (*c*) grant authority to insure mortgages on trailer parks loans; (*d*) provide for retirement of the stock of the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, and restore the independence of the Home Loan Bank Board; (*e*) provide for public agency loan program to give preference to public works applications from small communities of 10,000 population or less (title II); (*f*) provide for revision of college housing direct loan program administered by the HHFA to include additional types of buildings and to allow a lower interest cost (title III); (*g*) provide for FHA mortgage insurance authority of $1.35 billion for construction of military housing (title VIII); (*h*) provide for program for research by the Department of HEW and loans by the HHFA to control air pollution (title V); and (*i*) provide for extension of direct loan program of Farmers' Home Administration, Agriculture Department, adding a program of loan insurance.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills: (1) H. R. 5695, to continue through June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper (after hearing, in open session, testimony in opposition to this bill from Senator Malone); (2) without amendment H. R. 5223, to continue through June 30, 1956, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap; and (3) with amendments H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad (amendments would provide for a 2-year extension only, and would change customs classification of hard board from a type of paper to a wood product).

It was also announced that hearings are scheduled for June 7 and 8 on H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings today, as follows:

On S. 1574, providing for payments to owners of non-Federal water-use facilities for hydroelectric power benefits realized by the U. S. therefrom—with testimony from Senator Goldwater, who favored the bill and stated that he would accept an amendment placing authority under the FPC; Willard Gatchell, Chief Counsel, FPC, who suggested the above-stated amendment to this bill; and Irvin Hoff, administrative assistant to Senator Magnuson, who requested that the hearings be recessed in order that Senators Magnuson and Jackson and others may present their views thereon at a later date;

On S. 787, granting consent of Congress to Missouri Basin States to negotiate Missouri River Basin Compact—with testimony favoring the bill from Senator Mundt;

On S. 1177, for the relief of desert land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating waters for reclamation—with favoring testimony from Senator Goldwater; Paul Eaton, administrative assistant to Senator Hayden; and Edward Woozley, Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Interior Department; and

On S. 598, to provide for adjustments in lands or interests in lands acquired for Albeni Falls Reservoir, Idaho—with testimony from Goodrich W. Lineweaver, professional staff member of the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, who read a statement in behalf of Senator Dworshak favoring the bill.

SALK ANTIPOLIO VACCINE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met in executive session for the consideration of S. 1925, to authorize the President to provide for prompt, fair, and effective distribution and use of poliomyelitis vaccine to prevent abuses and safeguarding the public interest, but took no actions and will meet again Tuesday, May 31.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H. R. 6541–6551; 6 private bills, H. R. 6552–6557; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 326 and H. Con. Res. 148, were introduced.

Pages 7213–7214

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 1216, a private bill (H. Rept. 685);

H. R. 192, to amend the Flood Control Act of 1946 relative to Salem Church Reservoir on the Rappahannock River, Va. (H. Rept. 686); and

H. R. 3233, to make it a criminal offense to move or travel in interstate commerce with intent to avoid prosecution, or custody or confinement after conviction, for arson (H. Rept. 687). Page 7213

President's Message—Refugee Relief: Received a message from the President transmitting recommended changes in the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. The message was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 173).

Pages 7195–7196

Bills Referred: Eight Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7213

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:42 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUS DISPOSAL OPERATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: The full committee met for a discussion of surplus disposal operations and heard Earl Butz, Assistant Secretary, U. S. Department of Agriculture, who was accompanied by other departmental officials.

PERISHABLE COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Domestic Marketing concluded public hearings today on H. R. 5337 and 5818, to amend the provisions of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act of 1930, relating to practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities. Witnesses heard at the session were Joseph S. Shelly, secretary, Vegetable Growers Association of America; and W. B. Whiteley, president of the National Potato Council; Stanley Vogt, National Farmers Union; Fred W. Burrows, International Apple Association; and D. W. Ward, Philadelphia Terminal Market Association.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Committee on Education and Labor: The Landrum subcommittee held further hearings on H. R. 2971, and related bills, to provide Federal-aid to States for the demonstration of public library service in rural areas without such service or with inadequate library facilities.

Testimony on the proposed legislation was read today from the following: Mrs. Charlotte Pelissier, legislative chairman, Arlington (Va.) Branch, American Association of University Women; Harold S. Hacker, director, Rochester (N. Y.) Public Library; Mrs. Merlin Moore, Little Rock, Ark.; Wallace Campbell, director, Washington (D. C.) office, Cooperative League; Mrs. Clifford Jenkins, legislative chairman, National Congress of Parents and Teachers, Roslyn Heights, N. Y.; Reuben Johnson, Farmer's Union, Washington, D. C.; Miss Sallie Farrell, field representative, Louisiana State Library; Miss Frances Hamilton, executive secretary, Association for Childhood Educational International, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Kay B. Moore, Hortonsville, N. C.; Mrs. Fred Bull, president, Maryland Council of Homemakers, College Park, Md.; John R. Long, mayor of Springfield, Tenn.; and Mrs. Burgess Chaney, Chesapeake Beach, Md.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee held further consideration of H. R. 5566 and related bills, to terminate the existence of the Indian Claims Commission at the end of 5 years, from and after April 10, 1957, or at such earlier time as the Commission shall have made its final report to the Congress on all claims filed with it. Testifying on the subject today were Assistant Attorney General Perry W. Morton, Lands Division, Department of Justice; and Ralph A. Barney, Indian Claims Section, Department of Justice. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SALK VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, accompanied by Rosewell B. Perkins, Under Secretary, Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, Surgeon General, and Dr. W. H. Sebrell, Jr., Director, National Institutes of Health, testified today in connection with H. R. 6286, to authorize appropriation of $28 million to assist States in providing Salk vaccine for underprivileged children as immunization against poliomyelitis, and H. R. 6207, to amend the Public Health Act to strengthen program of control and distribution of vaccine against abuses.

Committee adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee concluded public hearings on 33 pending proposals relating to veterans insurance programs. Witnesses testifying today were Robert F. Dove, DAV; Adin M. Downer, VFW; Charles W. Stevens, American Legion; and Donald C. Knapp, Office of Legislation, Veterans' Administration.

Tuesday, May 31, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 22 bills, including State-Justice appropriations for fiscal 1956, and reached agreements to limit debate on mutual security and postal pay increase bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7223–7243

Bills Introduced: 17 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2102–S. 2118; S. J. Res. 73 and 74; and S. Con. Res. 35. **Pages 7225–7226, 7231**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows (after recess on Friday, May 27 pursuant to prior authorization):

H. R. 5223, to continue through June 30, 1956, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap (S. Rept. 386);

H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad, with amendments (S. Rept. 387);

S. 414, providing for preliminary examination and survey of New England coastal areas to determine possible means of preventing property damage and loss of life due to hurricane winds and tides, with amendments (S. Rept. 388);

S. 928, to amend the Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the control of air pollution, with amendments (S. Rept. 389);

S. 1340, conveyance of certain land to Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex. (S. Rept. 390);

S. 1318, authorizing construction of a highway crossing over Lake Texoma, Red River, Tex. and Okla., with amendments (S. Rept. 391);

H. R. 3879, to amend the act of 1945 pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg. (S. Rept. 392);

H. R. 625, providing for adjustment of tolls on bridge across Des Moines River at St. Francisville, Mo. (S. Rept. 393);

S. 528, to extend time for construction of toll bridge across Rainy River at Baudette, Minn., with amendments (S. Rept. 394);

S. 1250, to declare a part of Pike Creek in Kenosha, Wis., a nonnavigable stream (S. Rept. 395);

S. 1300, to declare a certain portion of the waterway at Greenwich, Conn., a nonnavigable stream, with amendments (S. Rept. 396);

S. 1469, to declare a portion of the waterway at Bridgeport, Conn., a nonnavigable stream, with amendment (S. Rept. 397);

S. 1187, relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks (S. Rept. 398);

S. 1189, to permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans, 9-month construction loans, and 18-month commercial construction loans, with amendments (S. Rept. 399);

S. 1188, relating to examination of national banks (S. Rept. 400);

S. 1736, relating to the qualifications of directors of national banking associations, with amendments (S. Rept. 401); and

S. 1290, to provide for the construction of certain Government buildings in the D. C., with amendments—reported today (S. Rept. 402). Pages 7222, 7225

Bill Rereferred: Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1932, appropriation for operation of an emergency hurricane warning system by the Weather Bureau, and it was rereferred to Committee on Appropriations. Page 7231

State, Justice, and Judiciary Appropriations: Senate passed with committee amendments H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Kilgore, Ellender, McClellan, Magnuson, Green, Bridges, Saltonstall, and McCarthy. Pages 7243–7248

Miscellaneous Bills Passed: 21 reported bills were taken up on motion, and passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Bridge tolls: H. R. 625, providing for adjustment of tolls on bridge across Des Moines River at St. Francisville, Mo.;

Money orders: H. R. 4817, relating to the payment of money orders;

Vessel inspection: H. R. 4646, to remove the requirement as to verifying under oath certain certificates of vessel inspection;

Coast Guard: H. R. 5224, to authorize certain early discharges of enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard;

Metal scrap: H. R. 5223, to continue through June 30, 1956, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap;

Bonneville Dam: H. R. 3879, to amend the act of 1945 pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg.;

Without amendment and cleared for House:

National banks: S. 1187, relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks;

National banks: S. 1188, relating to examination of national banks;

Coast Guard: S. 1419, to lower the age requirements with respect to optional retirement of persons serving in the Coast Guard who served in the former Lighthouse Service;

D. C. teachers: S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education;

Land transfer, Texas: S. 1340, conveyance of certain land to Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex.;

Wisconsin Waterway: S. 1250, to declare a part of Pike Creek in Kenosha, Wis., a nonnavigable stream;

With amendment and cleared for House:

Water pollution: S. 928, to amend the Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the control of air pollution;

New England storms: S. 414, providing for preliminary examination and survey of New England coastal areas to determine possible means of preventing property damage and loss of life due to hurricane winds and tides;

National banks: S. 1189, to permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans, 9-month construction loans, and 18-month commercial construction loans;

National banks: S. 1736, relating to the qualifications of directors of national banking associations;

Connecticut Waterway: S. 1300, to declare a certain portion of the waterway at Greenwich, Conn., a nonnavigable stream;

Connecticut Waterway: S. 1469, to declare a portion of the waterway at Bridgeport, Conn., a nonnavigable stream;

D. C. family court: S. 1289, to establish a family court in and for the D. C.;

Highway crossing, Lake Texoma: S. 1318, authorizing construction of a highway crossing over Lake Texoma, Red River, Tex. and Okla.; and

Minnesota toll bridge: S. 528, to extend time for construction of toll bridge across Rainy River at Baudette, Minn. Pages 7248–7256, 7257–7261, 7268–7269

Postal Pay Increase: Senate entered unanimous consent agreement, as follows, regarding S. 2061, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department: On Wednesday, June 1, after routine morning business, the bill will be considered, and debate on any amendment or motion will be limited to 1 hour, equally divided, and debate on passage of the bill will be limited to 1 hour, equally divided. No nongermane amendment will be received. Page 7270

Mutual Security: Senate took up and debated S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955, and reached unanimous consent agreement that on Thursday, June 2, after routine morning business, debate on any amendment or motion thereto will be limited to 2 hours, equally

divided, and debate on passage of the bill will be limited to 2 hours, equally divided. No nongermane amendment will be received. Pages 7256, 7262–7268, 7270

Confirmations: The nominations of Selden Chapin, of D. C., to be Ambassador to Iran, and of Richard Lee Jones, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Liberia, were confirmed. Page 7289

Nominations: The nomination of Donald Ross, of New Jersey, to be a member of the Renegotiation Board, was received, along with 1 Navy nomination, and 126 postmasters. Pages 7287–7289

Recess: Recessed at 6:36 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 6367, Commerce Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, hearing testimony from departmental witnesses, as follows:

On St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation—Lewis G. Castle, Administrator, and E. Reece Harrill, Comptroller;

On Tariff Commission—Chairman Edgar B. Brossard;

On Advisory Committee on Weather Control—Howard T. Orville, Chairman; F. A. Berry, Chief Scientific Adviser; and Charles Gardner, Jr., Executive Secretary; and

On Bureau of Foreign Commerce—Samuel W. Anderson, Assistant Secretary for International Affairs; George T. Moore, Assistant Secretary; Loring K. Macy, Director of Bureau of Foreign Commerce; and Marshall Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—NAVY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings, in executive session, on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, with general testimony on the Navy Department budget from Adm. Robert B. Carney, Chief of Naval Operations. Hearings continue Thursday, June 2.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony from Brig. Gen. E. C. Itschner, and Col. John U. Allen, both of the Corps of Engineers, Army, with regard to funds for miscellaneous navigational projects.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—INTERIOR DIVISION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works—Division of Interior, began its hearings with general statements from Fred Aandahl, Assistant Secretary of Interior for Water and Power, and S. D. Larson, Director of Budget and Finance, on budget estimates for the Bureau of Reclamation, Bonneville Power Administration, Southeastern Power Administration, and Southwestern Power Administration.

Subcommittee also heard testimony in behalf of funds for the Bureau of Reclamation from Assistant Commissioners E. G. Nielsen and S. W. Crosthwait; N. B. Bennett, Jr., Chief, Project Development Division; F. E. Dominy, Chief, Irrigation Division; D. S. Campbell, Chief, Power Division; and A. R. Golze, Chief, Program Coordination and Finance Division.

Hearings continue Thursday, June 2.

HOME OWNERS LOAN ACT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking held hearings on S. 972, to provide for regulation of branches established by Federal savings and loan associations, hearing testimony favoring its enactment from Paul A. Warner, president, Oberlin Savings Bank Co., Oberlin, Ohio, and representing American Bankers Association; Alexander Chmielewski, chairman, legislative committee, National Association of Supervisors of State Banks; Crawford H. Stocker, Jr., president, Lynn Five Cents Savings Bank, Lynn, Mass., and representing National Association of Mutual Savings Banks; and G. V. Markey, president, National Association of State Savings and Loan Supervisors. Testimony opposing this bill was heard from Walter W. McAllister, Chairman, Home Loan Bank Board; Charles K. Fletcher, San Diego, vice chairman of legislative committee, United States Savings and Loan League; and James E. Bent, president, Hartford Federal Savings and Loan Association, Hartford, Conn., and representing National Savings and Loan League.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act, the committee heard testimony from Donald Montgomery, CIO; Edward D. Hollander, ADA; and James O. Watts, Jr., vice president, Commonwealth Natural Gas Corp., Richmond, Va., all of whom opposed enactment of S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SALK ANTIPOLIO VACCINE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued, in executive session, the consideration of S. 1925, to authorize the President to provide for prompt, fair, and effective distribution and use of poliomyelitis vaccine to prevent abuses and safeguarding the public interest (and amendments thereto), but took no actions and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 23 public bills, H. R. 6558–6580; 1 private bill, H. R. 6581; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 327 and H. Con. Res. 149, were introduced.

Pages 7293–7294

Saline Waters: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2126, to amend the act of 1952, relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees, Representatives Engle, Aspinall, O'Brien of New York, Miller of Nebraska, and Saylor.

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Reclamation Projects: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Engle, Aspinall, O'Brien of New York, Miller of Nebraska, and Saylor. Page 7289

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:24 p. m.

Committee Meetings

OREGON-CALIFORNIA COMPACT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 3587, amended, granting congressional consent to negotiation of a compact relating to the waters of the Klamath River by the States of Oregon and California, for an equitable apportionment between the two States. An identical bill (H. R. 3573) was ordered tabled.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3587, amended, the Oregon-California Klamath River compact negotiation bill; and passed over without prejudice H. R. 4308, for the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating waters for reclamation.

Representative Engle, author of H. R. 3587, and Representative Coon, author of H. R. 3573, explained the purposes of this proposed legislation. Speaking on behalf of H. R. 4308 was Representative Udall, who introduced the measure in the House; and Representative Rhodes of Arizona, author of H. R. 4303, an identical bill on the subject. Officials of the Department of the Interior, who also urged favorable consideration of the bills under discussion, were Harold R. Hochmuth, lands officer, Bureau of Land Management; and Ernest F. Hom, Acting Assistant Solicitor, Branch of Land Appeals. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation continued, in executive session, to mark up a draft bill authorizing the Atomic Energy Commission's construction program, but did not complete its work and recessed subject to call.

Wednesday, June 1, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

By unanimous votes, Senate passed postal pay increase bill and ratified Great Lakes Fisheries Treaty.

House passed general agencies appropriations and bills authorizing studies on housing and Alaskan water resources.

Miscellaneous amendments to Natural Gas Act approved by House committee.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7307–7322

Bills Introduced: 9 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2119–S. 2127. Page 7310

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5695, to continue through June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper (S. Rept. 403);

S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955, with individual views (S. Rept. 404); and

S. 2127, extending the Small Business Administration for 2 years (S. Rept. 405). Pages 7309–7310

Postal Pay Increase: By unanimous vote of 78 yeas, Senate passed with amendments S. 2061, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, after adopting committee amendments and a series of amendments by Senator Johnston (S. C.) of a technical and perfecting nature.

An amendment by Senator Butler to extend the salary increase to other Federal civilian employees was rejected on Senator Knowland's point of order.

Pages 7322, 7324–7344

Gift Importation: Senate passed with committee amendments H. R. 5559, proposal to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad. (One of the committee amendments extends such privilege for 2 years rather than permanently.)

Motion to reconsider passage of the bill was tabled.

Pages 7373–7374

Copper Taxes: Senator Malone was granted until midnight tonight to file minority views on H. R. 5695, to continue through June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper. Page 7309

Service Academy Appointments: Senator Morse was appointed to Board of Visitors to U. S. Military Academy, Senator Bible to Board of Visitors to U. S. Naval Academy, and Senator Case (N. J.) to Board of Visitors to U. S. Merchant Marine Academy. Page 7380

Mutual Security: Senate debated S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955. Pages 7374–7379

Treaty Ratified: By unanimous vote of 79 yeas, Senate adopted resolution of ratification concerning Great Lakes Fisheries Convention between U. S. and Canada (Exec. B, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). Pages 7345–7347

Treaty Received: Treaty for the Re-establishment of an Independent and Democratic Austria, signed at Vienna on May 15, 1955 (Exec. G, 84th Cong., 1st sess.), was received and referred to Committee on Foreign Relations. Pages 7344–7345

Recess: Recessed at 5:57 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee began hearings on farm price support program, with testimony from Senators Morse and Neuberger, who discussed the bill S. 1770, to amend title III of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 so as to provide for the issuance of wheat marketing certificates. Hearings continue Friday, June 3.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on H. R. 6367, Commerce Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, subcommittee heard testimony in behalf of funds for the Civil Aeronautics Administration from Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation; F. B. Lee, CAA Administrator; and A. O. Basnight, CAA budget officer. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR-HEW

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies.

It was announced that the full committee will meet to consider this bill on Friday, June 3.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on 1956 budget estimates for public works, hearing further testimony from Brig. Gen. E. C. Itschner, Assistant Chief for Civil Works, and Col. John U. Allen, both of the Corps of Engineers, Army. The witnesses discussed funds for river and harbor projects, bridge relocations, and various beach-erosion projects. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction continued its hearings on the Air Force title of S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, hearing further testimony from Brig. Gen. J. F. Rodenhauser, Director of Real Property, Air Force. Hearings continue Friday, June 3.

PROXY CONTENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities began hearings into the subject of proxy contests. Pending before the subcommittee are the bills S. 879, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to increase public disclosure of security ownership, and S. 2054, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide for regulation of unlisted securities. The witness heard today was John Barr, president and chairman of the board of Montgomery Ward & Co., who testified as to the need for full disclosures of beneficial owners of shares of stock involved in proxy contests.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from Louis Wolfson.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings

regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, with testimony from the following witnesses: Harry Shargel and Hyman Serebranski, both of the Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot; Lt. Leo L. Kornfeld, presently stationed at Guam, and formerly of the Navy Clothing Supply Office, Brooklyn; Capt. Raymond Wool, Wilkins Air Force Base, Shelby, Ohio, and formerly contracting officer of ASTAPA, New York City; and Patsy Luciano, Madison, N. J. Hearings continue Friday, June 3.

ALASKA RAILROAD SPUR

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs held hearings with regard to a petition filed by A. Ben Shallit, an Alaska coal mine operator, for hearing on the refusal of the Secretary of Interior to construct a railroad spur to his coal lease in the Healy River Valley, Alaska. Witnesses heard with regard to this matter were Clarence Davis, Under Secretary of Interior; Edward Woozley, Director of the Bureau of Land Management, Interior Department; Col. Darrell Welch, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force; Frank Kalbaugh, former General Manager of the Alaska Railroad; Leo H. Saarela, regional mining supervisor, Geological Survey, Anchorage; Angelo F. Ghiglione, commissioner, Alaska Public Roads Commission; William Waugaman, general manager, Usibelli Coal Mine, Inc., Fairbanks; Robert McCarty, attorney for Mr. Waugaman; and Max Barash, attorney for Mr. Shallit. Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The committee continued its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act, hearing testimony from Chairman Jerome K. Kuykendall, and Commissioners Seaborn L. Digby (also Vice Chairman), Nelson Lee Smith, and Frederick Stueck, all of the FPC, who favored, with certain amendments, S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act. Testimony in opposition to this bill was heard from Claude L. Draper, Commissioner, FPC. Also testifying in opposition to the bill in its present form, and suggesting amendments thereto, was J. French Robinson, chairman of the board, Consolidated Natural Gas Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MERGERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee began hearings on its investigation of the antitrust field, with testimony on the problem of mergers. Witnesses heard were Chairman Edward F. Howrey, and Commissioner John W. Gwynne, both of the Federal Trade Commission, the former of whom discussed the subject, particularly from the standpoint of the FTC's comprehensive economic report on mergers, which was transmitted to the Congress on May 20, 1955. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR PRACTICES—GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Special subcommittee resumed hearings on S. 1760, to require compliance with the National Labor Relations Act as a condition of receiving Government contracts, hearing favoring testimony from William O. Murdock and David P. Findling, both Associate General Counsels, who appeared on behalf of T. C. Kammholz, General Counsel, all of the NLRB. Subcommittee also heard testimony from C. Edward Eckert and Stephen P. Haycock, both attorneys, GAO, who testified and answered questions regarding technical aspects of the proposed legislation. Guy Farmer, Chairman of the NLRB, filed a statement for the record also favoring the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: The Rivers and Harbors Flood Control Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H. R. 6582–6605; 13 private bills, H. R. 6606–6618; and 8 resolutions, H. J. Res. 328 and 329, H. Con. Res. 150, and H. Res. 258–262, were introduced. **Pages 7391–7392, 7411–7412**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 688 and 689);

H. R. 3333, amending U. S. Code relating to mailing and transportation of obscene matter (H. Rept. 690);

Twelve private bills, H. R. 1245, 1275, 1463, 1540, 1541, 1648, 1997, 2073, 2495, 2721, 2756, and 6086 (H. Repts. 691–702, respectively);

H. R. 3587, approving compact relating to waters of Klamath River, by the States of Oregon and California for an equitable apportionment between the two States (H. Rept. 703);

H. Res. 259, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 6410, relating to construction of a museum of history and technology for the Smithsonian Institution (H. Rept. 704);

H. Res. 260, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5923, to authorize immediate appropriation of certain sums for the completion of the construction of the Inter-American Highway (H. Rept. 705); and

H. Res. 261, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 192, to amend the Flood Control Act of 1946 relative to Salem Church Reservoir on the Rappahannock River, Va. (H. Rept. 706).

Page 7411

Private Bill: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 1142, a private bill; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Lane, Forrester, and Reed of Illinois. Page 7382

Order of Business: The calling of the Consent Calendar and the consideration of certain bills under suspension of rules was made in order on Tuesday next.

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General Agencies Appropriations: By a voice vote the House passed, without amendment, H. R. 6499 making appropriations for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for fiscal year 1956. This bill contains general provisions that previously were included in supplemental appropriation bills. Most of the appropriation items in the bill were in the independent offices bills in prior years.

Appropriations totaling $21,890,700 are recommended by the bill, which figure is $5,810,000 below the budget estimates, and $7,313,850 over the 1955 appropriation due primarily to an item of $8 million for payment of Korean claims.

H. Res. 256, providing for the waiving of points of order against provisions of the bill, was adopted earlier.

Pages 7383–7391

Housing: Adopted H. Res. 203, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and to make inquiries relating to housing.

Pages 7391–7395

Alaskan Water Resources: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 3990, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska. A motion to recommit the bill was rejected by a record vote of 79 yeas to 278 nays.

Adopted several committee amendments, one of which placed a limitation of $250,000 on appropriations in any one fiscal year for the water resources study program.

Rejected amendments that sought to—

Reduce appropriation authorization to $100,000;

Limit the $250,000 authorization to fiscal year 1956;

Have the study made by the Corps of Army Engineers in lieu of the Secretary of the Interior; and

Have the surveys, etc., made by the Geological Survey.

H. Res. 251, the rule providing for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted earlier. Pages 7395–7407

Bills Referred: 14 Senate passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7410

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:51 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy subcommittee began 3 days of public hearings to consider testimony relating to the general dairy industry. Today's witness was Otie M. Reed, Washington representative of the joint committee of the National Creameries Association and the American Butter Institute. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: The Albert subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 1834 and similar bills, which would exempt producers from penalties for marketing wheat in excess of farm marketing quotas where all the wheat crop is fed or used for seed on the farm. Witnesses heard on behalf of the proposed legislation were Representatives Cole, Quigley, and Henderson, authors of pending measures on this subject; Marvin McLain, Director, Grain Branch, Commodity Stabilization Service; Frank Woolley, representing the American Farm Bureau Federation; and Joseph O. Parker, representing the National Grange. Recessed until Monday, June 6, when it will hear opponents of the proposals.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Representatives of the Department of the Navy met today for further executive consideration of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

NEW IBERIA (LA.) BASE

Committee on Armed Services: Held afternoon hearing to receive testimony in connection with the New Iberia (La.) naval training base, which is included in the above-mentioned military public works bill (H. R. 5700). Representative Willis, of Louisiana, was the first to testify on the subject. Local witnesses were C. W. Bradley, representing opponents of the proposal; and Minus Armentor, who represented the proponents.

MINIMUM WAGES

Committee on Education and Labor: Began public hearings on pending legislation to increase the national minimum hourly wage standard. Members of Congress, who have introduced bills in this session to establish the minimum hourly wage at $1.25, testified today as follows—Representatives Bailey, O'Hara of Illinois, Davidson, and Flood. Committee recessed until tomorrow morning when other Members of the House are scheduled to testify.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee held its first executive meeting to consider a draft bill to provide Federal assistance to States for school construction programs. This subcommittee, which was appointed by Chairman Barden last Wednesday, is preparing a bill on this subject for reporting to the full committee. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon.

FEDERAL CHEESE TRANSACTION

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations heard testimony today from officials of the Department of Agriculture regarding certain purchase and resale of cheese by the Commodity Credit Corporation. In a statement by Chairman Fountain, it was said that the subcommittee desired to receive an explanation of transactions relative to information obtained, which indicated that the Commodity Credit Corporation bought the cheese for 37 cents per pound in March 1954, and immediately contracted to resell it to the original manufacturers at 34¼ cents per pound in April. The cheese, the information stated, was never actually delivered to the Government but remained at all times in the possession of the manufacturers.

Witnesses testifying were Don S. Anderson, Acting Director, Livestock and Dairy Division, Commodity Stabilization Service; John C. Blum, Chief, Standardization and Program Development Branch, Dairy Division, Agricultural Marketing Service; Bennett J. Ommodt, Chief, Inspection and Grading Branch, Dairy Division, AMS; Preston Richards, Vice President, Commodity Credit Service, and Deputy Administrator for Price Supports, Commodity Stabilization Service; Edward M. Shulman, Associate Solicitor, Commodity Credit Production and Adjustment; and George Cooper, Chief, Commodity Credit Division, Solicitor's Office, Department of Agriculture.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—

H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selections, and similar rights;

H. R. 4664, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber-access roads;

H. R. 4747, to provide that reversionary Federal interests in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Okla., shall be quitclaimed to such city;

S. 1529, amended, to extend the boundaries of the Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, in the State of North Dakota.

Representative Steed, author of H. R. 4747, spoke on behalf of that bill; while Representative Krueger, author of H. R. 5660, urged favorable consideration of his proposal, and Representative Burdick spoke in opposition. Departmental witnesses heard on the various proposals were Harold R. Hochmuth, lands staff officer, Bureau of Land Management, who spoke on H. R. 2972 and H. R. 4747; Edward Woozley, Director of the Bureau of Land Management, on H. R. 2972; Walter H. Horning, forestry staff officer, Bureau of Land Management, on H. R. 4664; and Conrad Wirth, Director, National Park Service, who spoke on H. R. 5660. Subcommittee recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to consider private bills relating to the Coconino and Sitgreaves National Forests, Ariz.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Adopted the following amendment during today's executive meeting on H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from Federal Power Commission regulations—

In the administration of this act, the Federal Power Commission shall consider among other things—

(1) the maintenance of productive capacity of the several domestic fuel industries sufficient to meet the current and long-range fuel needs of the Nation; and

(2) the sound principles of conservation in order to preserve the available reserves of natural gas for purposes which will afford maximum long-range benefits to the public, with due regard for the conservation policies and regulations of the producing States.

Also adopted an amendment defining interstate commerce:

Section 4 (par. 7) of section 2 of the Natural Gas Act is amended to read as follows—

7. "Interstate commerce" means commerce between any point in a State and any point outside thereof, or between points

within the same State but through any place outside thereof, or between any point in a State and any foreign nation, but only insofar as such commerce takes place within the United States.

Recessed for further executive consideration of pending Natural Gas Act amendments tomorrow morning.

WIRETAPPING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 concluded public hearings on its study of proposed wiretapping legislation. Pending bills considered on the subject were H. R. 762, 867, 4513, 4728, and 5096. Final witnesses to be heard were Samuel Dash, acting district attorney of Philadelphia, Pa.; and John J. Walsh, chairman of the Committee on Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement, Philadelphia (Pa.) Bar Association.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered favorably reported to the full committee two private claims bills of the House, and reported adversely on one other.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Completed public hearings today on proposed legislation pertaining to Federal-aid highway construction. Dr. Burton Behling, Association of American Railroads, returned for committee interrogation regarding his testimony of last week. Other witnesses were Carlton Proctor, chairman, Committee on National Highway Program, American Society of Civil Engineers; and George Burpee, of Coverdale & Colpitts, New York City, past vice president of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

It was announced at the conclusion of the session that Senator Gore, of Tennessee, would be invited to return before an executive meeting for committee questioning on his views which were presented in open hearing last Thursday; and that statements for the record may be submitted to the committee for 10 days from this date.

VIRGINIA RESERVOIR—SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION—INTER-AMERICAN HIGHWAY

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules on the following bills today—

H. R. 192, to remove requirement under the Flood Control Act, maintaining elevation requirement of the Salem Church Reservoir, Va. One hour of debate provided. Representative Jones of Alabama, who urged favorable action, testified on the subject.

H. R. 6410, to construct a Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution. One hour of debate provided. Witnesses speaking in support of the bill were Representatives Jones of Alabama, Dondero, Murray of Tennessee, and Vorys.

H. R. 5923, authorizing immediate appropriation for completion of Inter-American Highway construction. One hour of debate provided. Witnesses heard were Representatives Fallon, Dondero, Steed, and Dempsey, each of whom endorsed the proposal.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Rules: Held further discussion, but took no final action, on H. R. 6227, providing for regulation and control of bank holding companies. Testifying in support of this proposal today were Representatives Spence, Rains, and Multer; and opponent witnesses were Representatives Hiestand and McDonough. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: The Moulder subcommittee interrogated Jerry J. O'Connell, of Montana, a former Member of the House of Representatives, regarding alleged control of various organizations in Washington State by the Communist Party. During the hearing it was brought out that the control of these associations and groups was gained for political advantage by the Communist Party. Subcommittee will meet with same witness tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

RADIATION STERILIZATION OF FOODS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Research and Development met in executive session with Government representatives to consider the radiation sterilization of foods project, a joint project of the Department of Defense and the Atomic Energy Commission for preserving foods. Heard with regard to this matter today were George P. Larrick, Commissioner, Dr. Arnold Lehman, Chief of Division of Pharmacology, and Dr. Edward Laug, all of the Food and Drug Administration; Col. William D. Jackson, Chief, and Dr. Ralph Siu, Technical Director, both of the Research and Development Division, Army Quartermaster Corps; Col. Richard Mason and Lt. Col. Tyron Huber, both of the Office of the Surgeon General of the Army; and Zigmund Z. Ziporin, Army Nutrition Laboratory, Denver. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5085, Interior Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, but did not complete their work and will meet again Friday, June 3.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session January 5, 1955, through May 31, 1955.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through May 31, 1955

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	65	74	..
Time in session	312 hrs., 01′	258 hrs., 59′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	3,538	2,690	6,228
Appendix	..	..	3,786
Public bills enacted into law	17	31	48
Private bills enacted into law	4	58	62
Bills in conference	1	4	5
Bills through conference	1	6	7
Measures passed, total	408	603	..
Senate bills	211	35	..
House bills	100	425	..
Senate joint resolutions	11	4	..
House joint resolutions	7	8	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	11	4	..
House concurrent resolutions	7	13	..
Simple resolutions	61	114	175
Measures reported, total	*445	*654	..
Senate bills	222	37	..
House bills	96	506	..
Senate joint resolutions	15	3	..
House joint resolutions	5	13	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	12	4	..
House concurrent resolutions	7	9	..
Simple resolutions	88	82	170
Special reports	14	24	..
Conference reports	..	9	..
Reported measures not acted on	**15	**96	..
Measures introduced, total	2,333	7,314	9,647
Bills	2,118	6,581	8,699
Joint resolutions	74	327	401
Concurrent resolutions	35	149	184
Simple resolutions	106	257	363
Quorum calls	34	40	74
Yea-and-nay votes	42	36	78
Bills vetoed	1	..	1
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 402 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 687 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through May 31, 1955

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,083, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	584
Withdrawn	4
Rejected	1
Unconfirmed	494
Army nominations, totaling 4,368, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4,197
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	171
Air Force nominations, totaling 3,356, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	2,598
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	758
Navy nominations, totaling 14,330, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	14,317
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	13
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 7,936, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	7,936
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,262, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,151
Withdrawn	1
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	110

Summary

Total nominations received	32,335
Total withdrawn	5
Total rejected	1
Total unconfirmed	1,546
Total confirmed	30,783

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	House					Senate					Public law			Increase or decrease compared to budget estimates to date
		Budget estimates to House	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Budget estimates to Senate	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.	
	1955 APPROPRIATIONS														
	Supplemental														
H. R. 2091	Urgent Deficiency, 1955	----------	Jan. 13	$25,000	Jan. 13	$25,000	----------	Jan. 17	$993,950	Jan. 18	$1,013,950	Jan. 25	$1,013,950	3	+$1,013,950
H. J. Res. 252	Justice, 1955	$750,000	Mar. 14	710,000	Mar. 14	710,000	$750,000	Mar. 15	710,000	Mar. 16	710,000	Mar. 16	710,000	13	−40,000
H. R. 4903	Second Supplemental	920,523,454	Mar. 15	855,212,429	Mar. 18	857,187,429	952,002,718	Apr. 13	938,402,835	Apr. 14	945,412,835	Apr. 22	898,805,875	24	−53,196,843
H. J. Res. 310	Second Urgent Deficiency, 1955	28,263,475	May 19	25,263,475	May 19	25,263,475	28,263,475	May 23	25,263,475	May 25	25,263,475	----------	25,263,475	48	−3,000,000
	Regular														
	(Fiscal 1956)														
H. R. 4876	Treasury-Post Office	3,360,250,000	Mar. 11	3,282,553,000	Mar. 15	3,282,553,000	3,360,385,000	Apr. 12	3,358,622,000	Apr. 13	3,358,622,000	----------	3,322,488,500	------	−37,896,500
H. R. 5046	Labor-H. E. W	2,432,148,861	Mar. 18	2,337,522,261	Mar. 21	2,337,522,261	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	−94,626,600
H. R. 5085	Interior	313,353,056	Mar. 21	298,271,246	Mar. 24	297,925,546	314,523,056	May 2	327,987,088	May 5	327,987,088	----------	----------	------	+13,464,032
H. R. 5239	Agriculture	897,684,574	Mar. 25	880,260,050	Mar. 28	880,260,050	898,384,574	Apr. 21	884,393,923	Apr. 26	884,433,923	May 23	883,051,623	40	−15,332,951
H. R. 5240	Independent Offices	5,639,790,000	Mar. 26	5,845,595,375	Mar. 30	5,845,595,375	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	+205,805,375
H. R. 5502	State, Justice, Judiciary	483,531,912	Apr. 13	450,398,227	Apr. 14	450,398,227	483,531,912	May 26	481,985,418	May 31	481,985,418	----------	----------	------	−1,546,494
H. R. 6042	Defense	32,232,815,000	May 5	31,488,206,000	May 12	31,488,206,000	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	−744,609,000
H. R. 6239	District of Columbia	(175,405,300)	May 12	(166,547,509)	May 19	(166,547,509)	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	(−8,857,791)
	Federal payment	21,892,700	----------	17,892,700	----------	17,892,700	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	−4,000,000
H. R. 6367	Commerce	1,366,393,000	May 19	1,121,435,000	May 24	1,123,685,000	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	−242,708,000
H. R. 6499	General Government	27,700,700	May 26	21,890,700	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	−5,810,000

Thursday, June 2, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed, by 59 yeas to 18 nays, mutual security bill.

House passed bill extending veterans housing loan program.

Senate Armed Services Committee approved miscellaneous bills and nominations to the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

House committee approved Senate-passed postal workers' pay-increase bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7439–7463

Bills Introduced: 20 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2128–S. 2147. Page 7444

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2078, to permit a retired naval officer to be employed in a command status in connection with Antarctic expeditions (S. Rept. 406);

S. 107, conveyance of a portion of Fort Devens Military Reservation to Commonwealth of Massachusetts (S. Rept. 407);

H. R. 3825, to make retrocession to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of jurisdiction over certain land in the vicinity of Fort Devens, Mass. (S. Rept. 408); and

H. R. 4294, to amend the U. S. Code concerning interchange of supplies between the Armed Forces (S. Rept. 409). Page 7440

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7480

State, Justice, Judiciary Appropriations: Additional conferees on the part of the Senate were named to the conference committee on H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the judiciary, and related agencies, as follows: Senators Hayden, Holland, Clements, Mansfield, Mundt, Smith of Maine, Dirksen, and Hickenlooper. Page 7492

Mutual Security: By 59 yeas to 18 nays, Senate passed S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955, after rejecting, by 16 yeas to 62 nays, Jenner motion to recommit the bill to the Committees on Armed Services and Foreign Relations with instructions to report back two bills, one assigning all military aid fund authorizations to the Defense Department, and the other assigning the balance of authorizations to the Department of State. Senate also took the following actions on amendments:

Adopted: Mundt amendment, earmarking $50 million for exportation of surplus farm products; Magnuson amendment, providing that U. S. dollars shall be made available for marine insurance on certain commodities; Smathers amendment, increasing by $17 million authorized funds for aid to Bolivia, Guatemala, and Haiti; and Ellender amendment, declaring it to be sense of Congress that administration of the program should be on a cooperative basis with recipients, when able, extending assistance to underdeveloped countries; and

Rejected: By 29 yeas to 52 nays, Potter amendment providing that 75 percent of funds appropriated or transferred to economic development shall be available only on a loan basis, after rejecting, by 33 yeas to 50 nays, Knowland amendment (to the Potter amendment) making the loan basis figure 50 percent instead of 75 percent; by 27 yeas to 56 nays, Ellender amendment to halve authorizations in bill for direct forces support by reducing such figure for Europe to $35 million, for the Near East and Africa to $51,250,000, and for Asia to $413,900,000; Malone amendment to transfer all available funds previously authorized, in addition to authorizations in bill, to National Defense Administrator for construction of planes, guided missiles, and atomic submarines; by 27 yeas to 53 nays, Long amendment to reduce overall authorizations by $318 million; by 18 yeas to 60 nays, McCarthy amendment providing that no funds shall be made available to any country that exports any goods to Red China while that country holds as prisoner any American citizen; by 17 yeas to 63 nays, Ellender amendment to eliminate authorization for President's fund of $200 million for Asian economic development; 4 Ellender amendments, as follows: (1) requiring that authorization for President's fund of $200 million for Asian economic development shall be entirely on a loan basis rather than only 50 percent of it on such basis, (2) eliminating authorization for fiscal year 1956 of President's fund of $100 million for economic development, (3) eliminating authorization of President's fund of $165 million for development assistance, and (4) to reduce from $65 million to $16.5 million authorization of fund for contribution to U. N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East; and by tie vote of 40 yeas to 40 nays, Capehart amendment, authorizing waiver of civil service laws with respect to termination of not more than 200 FOA employees above grade GS–9, except for veterans.

Pages 7463–7523

Segregation: Opinion of U. S. Supreme Court on May 31, 1955, involving segregation in the public schools, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 46. Page 7526

Appropriation Reports: Committee on Appropriations was authorized to file reports during Senate recess. Page 7517

Nominations: 15 Coast and Geodetic Survey nominations were received, along with 1 postmaster withdrawal. Page 7526

Recess: Recessed at 8:44 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SURPLUS AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses continued its hearings, with testimony from Samuel E. Gudici, of New York City and Lima, Peru, regarding surpluses of wheat and butter. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 6367, Commerce Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, hearing testimony as follows:

Senator Purtell, who favored enactment of S. 1932, appropriations for hurricane warning service for the eastern coast of the U. S.;

Senator Mundt, who discussed the area development division program of the Business and Defense Services Administration;

Senator Barrett and Representative Thomson (Wyo.), who supported restoration of House cuts for CAA operations and regulation;

Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation Louis S. Rothschild, F. B. Lee, CAA Administrator, and Oscar H. Nielson, Office of Budget and Management, Commerce Department, who discussed funds for the CAA;

Assistant Secretary for Domestic Affairs Lothair Teetor, and Robert W. Burgess, Director, and Howard C. Grieves, Conrad Taeuber, and Morris H. Hansen, Assistant Directors, Bureau of the Census, all of whom spoke in behalf of funds for the Census Bureau;

Lothair Teetor, Oscar Nielson, Carl Oeschle, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Domestic Affairs, Charles F. Honeywell, Administrator, and H. B. McCoy, Deputy Administrator, both of the Business and Defense Services Administration, all of whom discussed funds for the Office of Business and Defense Services Administration; and

Lothair Teetor, Oscar Nielson, and James W. McNally, Assistant Director, Office of Business Economics, who discussed funds for the OBE.

Hearings continue Saturday, June 4.

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments H. R. 5240, fiscal 1956 appropriations for independent offices.

It was announced that the full committee will consider this bill in executive session tomorrow.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 2078, to permit a retired naval officer to be employed in a command status in connection with Antarctic expeditions, H. R. 3825, to make retrocession to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of jurisdiction over certain land in the vicinity of Fort Devens, Mass., and H. R. 4294, to amend the U. S. Code concerning interchange of supplies between the Armed Forces; and S. 107, conveyance of a portion of Fort Devens Military Reservation to Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

The nominations of Adm. Arthur W. Radford for reappointment as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Nathan F. Twining for reappointment as Chief of Staff, Air Force, Gen. Maxwell Taylor to be Chief of Staff, Army, and Adm. Arleigh A. Burke to be Chief of Naval Operations, and 927 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

The committee also approved a report on titanium submitted by the Subcommittee on National Stockpile and Naval Petroleum Reserves.

Prior to approval of the above-listed bills, open hearings were held thereon, with testimony, as follows: On S. 2078, with testimony from Adm. D. B. Duncan, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; on S. 107 and H. R. 3825, with testimony from Milton A. Pearl, Office of Chief of Engineers, Army; and on H. R. 4294, with testimony from Joseph A. Pieper, Installations Division, Air Force.

PROXY CONTESTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities continued its hearings into the subject of proxy contests, and had as its witness Louis Wolfson, financier of Miami, Fla. Mr. Wolfson favored enactment, with certain suggested amendments, of the bill S. 879, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to increase public disclosure of security ownership. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT SECURITY

Committee on Government Operations: Reorganization Subcommittee, in executive session, unanimously ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continuing its hearings on miscellaneous bills proposing amendments to the Natural Gas Act, committee heard testimony from Patrick Smith, an attorney of Indianapolis, Mayor Alex M. Clark of Indianapolis, and William Jackman, representing Investors League, Inc., New York, all of whom favored enactment of S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act. Testifying in opposition to this bill was James L. Bomar, speaker of the Tennessee House of Representatives, George F. McCanless, attorney general of the State of Tennessee, John C. Hammer, chairman of the Railroad and Public Service Commission of Tennessee, and Arthur K. Lee, attorney representing United Cities Utility Co., Chicago. Hearings continue Thursday, June 9.

ANTISABOTAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee concluded its hearings on S. 681, sabotage prevention in defense plants in time of emergency, hearing testimony favoring the bill from Ralph Stohl, Director, Office of Domestic Security Programs, William Brucker, General Counsel, and Jack Stempler, Assistant General Counsel, all of the Defense Department; and Harold Koffsky, representing the Justice Department. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

ANTITRUST PROBLEMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued hearings on its investigation into antitrust field, hearing testimony from Prof. Morris A. Adelman, MIT; Prof. Louis B. Schwartz, University of Pennsylvania; and Prof. Carl Kaysen, Harvard University.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NARCOTICS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Improvements in the Federal Criminal Code (Narcotics) began hearings to develop the extent of the narcotics problem and to learn what Federal officials are doing to meet the problem under the present laws. Witnesses heard were Harry J. Anslinger, Commissioner of Narcotics; H. Chapman Rose, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; and Robert Curran, counsel for the Committee on Narcotics of the Senate of Canada. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR PRACTICES—GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Special subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1760, to require compliance with the National Labor Relations Act as a condition of receiving Government contracts, hearing testimony favoring enactment of the bill from Joseph P. Molony, director of district 4, and Roy Stevens, subregional director of district 1, both of the United Steelworkers of America–CIO. Testimony in opposition to the bill was heard from Ralph Peo, president, Buffalo Arms, Inc., Division of Frontier Industries, Inc., and Gerard D. Reilly, of Reilly, Rhetts, & Ruckelshaus, a law firm of Washington, D. C. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program continued its hearings, and had as its witness former Senator Harry P. Cain, member of the Subversive Activities Control Board. Mr. Cain submitted 12 recommendations for improvement of the Government employees security program, which recommendations dealt both with legislative and administrative aspects of the problem. Hearings continue Thursday, June 9.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H. R. 6619–6634; 6 private bills, H. R. 6635–6640; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 330–334 and H. Con. Res. 151, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Seven private bills, H. R. 1537, 1538, 1552, 1661, 1693, 2911, and 2929 (H. Repts. 707–713, respectively);

H. R. 4585, to simplify the procedures governing the mailing of certain publications of churches and church organizations (H. Rept. 714);

Thirteen private bills, H. R. 1549, 1551, 1750, 1883, 2274, 2724, 2791, 2925, 3048, 3270, 3504, 3628, and 3635 (H. Repts. 715–727, respectively); and

S. 2061, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, amended (H. Rept. 728).

Pages 7549–7550

New England Storms: Passed and cleared for the White House, S. 414, providing for preliminary examination and survey of New England coastal areas to determine possible means of preventing property damage and loss of life due to hurricane winds and tides.

Pages 7528–7530

Flood Control: Adopted committee substitute amendment and passed H. R. 192, to amend section 10 of the Flood Control Act of 1946 relating to the Salem Church Reservoir on the Rappahannock River, Va. The bill raises the power pool elevation from 220 feet to 240 feet.

H. Res. 261, the rule for the consideration of the bill, was adopted previously. Pages 7528, 7531–7535

Veterans' Housing Loans: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 5715, to extend the authority of the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to make direct loans, and to authorize the Administration to make additional types of direct loans thereunder. This passage was subsequently vacated and the House bill tabled after S. 654, a similar bill, was amended to contain the text of H. R. 5715 and passed by the House.

H. Res. 246, the rule that made in order the consideration of the bill, was adopted earlier. Pages 7528, 7536–7547

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:01 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy subcommittee received further testimony at today's hearings relative to its study of the general dairy industry. Witnesses heard were C. M. Golier, Deerfield Creamery Co., Deerfield, Wis.; and George Paul, National Creamery Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Completed the Navy Department section of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Will begin section dealing with the Department of the Army at tomorrow morning's executive session.

GI LIFE INSURANCE

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert Special Investigating Subcommittee heard staff members of the U. S. Army in Europe on the subject of sales of commercial life insurance to GI's in Europe under license of the U. S. Army. An investigation of this topic was made in the 83d Congress and in its final report, the subcommittee recommended that the study be continued in the 84th Congress, with reports being made to the Congress by the Departments of Defense and the Army.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued hearings on H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Witnesses heard today were Henry Bubb, United States Savings and Loan League; Scott Lucas, representing the Mobile Home Manufacturers Association; and Ralph Kaul, of the Trailer Coach Owners' Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

MINIMUM WAGES

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued hearings on pending bills to increase the national minimum hourly wage standard. Members of Congress who have introduced bills in this session, to establish the minimum hourly wage at $1.25, testified—Representatives Dollinger, Madden, and Vanik. Recessed until tomorrow morning when other Members of Congress will testify on this subject.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee continued executive consideration of a draft bill (to be prepared for the full committee) providing Federal assistance to States for school construction programs.

PUBLIC LANDS CONVEYANCE, ARIZONA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee resumed hearings on H. R. 2774 and 2787, a private conveyance and release of lands to the Government within the Coconino and Sitgreaves National Forests, Ariz. Opposition to the proposal was presented today by two officials of the National Lumber Manufacturers' Association—Alf Z. Nelson, forest economist; and Henry Bahr, counsel and secretary. Subcommittee recessed until tomorrow morning.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 4560, 4675, and related bills to amend the Natural Gas Act. Made no announcement, and recessed until Tuesday morning.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES SALARIES—MAILING

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Voted to report to the House, with two minor amendments, S. 2061, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department.

Also ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 692, to authorize the Postmaster General to provide for the use in first- and second-class post offices of a special canceling stamp or postmarking die bearing the words "Pray for Peace";

H. R. 4808, to provide for transmission through the mail of keys and identification cards;

H. R. 4585, to amend the act of 1912, to simplify the procedures governing the mailings of certain publications of churches and church organizations; and

S. 35, to permit the transportation in the mails of live scorpions.

Recessed until next Wednesday, June 8, to consider classified employees' pay increases.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Announced appointment of subcommittees to study the following pending bills—

S. 1516, to provide retirement, clerical assistance, and free mailing privileges to former Presidents of the United States (Representative Morrison, chairman).

H. R. 3687, and related bills, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act of 1930, to provide for the inclusion in the computation of accredited service of certain periods of service rendered States or instrumentalities of States (Representative Davis of Georgia, chairman).

H. R. 5843 and 3820, to provide leave of absence for officers and employees stationed outside the U. S. for use in the U. S., its Territories, or possessions (Representative Rhodes of Pennsylvania, chairman).

H. R. 6348, to amend the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954 (Representative Dowdy, chairman).

H. R. 458, to amend the act of 1941 to include Public Health Service Officers (payment for accrued leave) (Representative Pfost, chairman).

H. R. 5856, to repeal the requirements for heads of departments and agencies to report to the Postmaster General the number of penalty envelopes and wrappers on hand at the close of each fiscal year (Representative Fascell, chairman).

H. R. 617 and 6590, to prohibit the employment by the Federal Government of persons who are disloyal or who believe in the right to strike against the Government of the United States (Representative Tumulty, chairman).

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Jerry J. O'Connell, a former Member of Congress from Montana, was further questioned today regarding information he may have, or identity he may have had with political groups in Washington State, which have been cited as Communist-front organizations. The witness denied any official connection with said groups. Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Administration ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—

H. R. 1821, to permit checks for benefits provided by Veterans' Administration laws to be forwarded to persons who have moved and filed a regular change of address notice with the Post Office;

H. R. 4727, to permit issuance of a flag to a friend or associate of a deceased veteran where it is not claimed by the next of kin;

H. R. 4946, to place a time limit (of 3 years after the effective date of this act or the effective date of discharge or release, whichever is later) within which a veteran may file for unemployment-compensation benefits under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act; and

H. R. 5792, to extend until July 16, 1956, the time for filing claims for mustering-out payments under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed Labor-HEW and independent offices appropriation bills, reached debate limitation agreement on housing bill, passed bill on small business, and confirmed nominations of joint chiefs of staff.

House passed bill on rural electrification loans.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7608–7615

Bills Introduced: 6 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2148–S. 2153. Page 7611

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies, with amendments—reported during recess on June 2 under prior authorization (S. Rept. 410);

H. R. 5240, fiscal 1956 appropriations for independent offices, with amendments—reported during recess on June 2 under prior authorization (S. Rept. 411);

S. 85, 86, 101, 117, 137, 142, 160, 161, 174, 177, 181, 190, 197, 198, 214, 254, 324, 325, 340, 345, 354, 360, 367, 368, 369, 387, 388, 389, 396, 470, 498, 1867, 541, 477, 346, 326, 284, 235, 111, 287, H. R. 5907, 3020, 1656, 1487, 970, 891, 1660, 5196, 5078, S. 38, 47, private bills (S. Repts. 412–462, respectively);

H. R. 5100, to amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care (S. Rept. 463);

H. R. 5106, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to authorize loans for farm housing to be guaranteed or insured under the same terms and conditions as apply to residential housing (S. Rept. 464);

H. R. 5177, authorizing transfer of certain land in Richland County, S. C. (S. Rept. 465); and

H. R. 5089, to extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances, with amendments (S. Rept. 466). Pages 7606, 7610–7611

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 7607

Veto Message—Private Bill: On Friday, June 3, during recess of Senate, President transmitted veto message on S. 143, a private bill, which was referred to Committee on the Judiciary. Pages 7605–7606

Labor-HEW Appropriations: Senate took up and passed H. R. 5046, Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare appropriations for fiscal 1956, after adopting amendments, as follows: All committee amendments, one with an amendment by Senator Lehman, increasing by $350,000 funds for training and traineeships, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation; modified McNamara amendment, increasing from $84 million to $86 million authorized expenditures from OASI fund, Social Security; and Kennedy amendment, increasing by $500,000 funds for operating expenses, National Institutes of Health.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for conference with House, and appointed the following conferees: Senators Hill, Chavez, Russell, Kilgore, Magnuson, Stennis, Thye, Mundt, Smith of Maine, Dworshak, and Potter. Pages 7615–7628

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senate took up and passed, with amendments, H. R. 5240, Independent Offices Appropriations for fiscal 1956. Amendments adopted were as follows: All committee amendments; Holland amendment to reduce by $34 million item for payment to civil-service retirement and disability fund; and a series of four amendments by Senator Magnuson (1) to provide $15,000 for Alexander Hamilton Bicentennial Commission, (2) earmarking $300,000 for specific study of the compensation and pension program, Veterans' Administration, (3) restricting allowance of funds to education institutions for reports of attendance thereat to a rate not more than $1 per month for each eligible veteran so attending, and (4) placing limitation on expenditures for outpatient dental service and treatment of certain service-connected dental disabilities.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Magnuson, Hill, Ellender, Robertson, Russell, McClellan, Dirksen, Saltonstall, Knowland, McCarthy, and Potter. Pages 7628–7633

Private Bill: Senate adopted committee amendments to and passed S. 309, a private bill. Pages 7633–7634

Antarctic Expeditions: Senate passed without amendment S. 2078, to permit a retired naval officer to be employed in a command status in connection with Antarctic expeditions. Pages 7634–7635

Land Transfers—Fort Devens, Mass.: Senate passed without amendment the following two bills affecting land transfer at Fort Devens, Mass.:

S. 107, conveyance of a portion of Fort Devens Military Reservation to Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

H. R. 3825, to make retrocession to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of jurisdiction over certain land in the vicinity of Fort Devens, Mass. Page 7635

Armed Forces Supplies Interchange: H. R. 4294, to amend the U. S. Code concerning interchange of supplies between the Armed Forces, was passed without amendment, clearing bill for the President. Page 7636

Small Business: Senate passed without amendments S. 2127, extending the Small Business Administration for 2 years. Pages 7636–7639

Housing: Senate began consideration of S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955, and reached the following unanimous-consent agreement in connection with the bill:

On Tuesday, June 7, at conclusion of routine morning business, debate on amendment or motion (except a motion to lay on table) shall be limited to 2 hours, equally divided, and debate on final passage of the bill shall be limited to 2 hours, equally divided. Only germane amendments may be received. Page 7639

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nominations of Adm. Arthur W. Radford to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, of Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor to be Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, of Gen. Nathan F. Twining to be Chief of Staff, U. S. Air Force, and of Rear Adm. Arleigh A. Burke to be Chief of Naval Operations, along with 170 Army nominations, 758 Air Force nominations, and 10 Navy nominations. Pages 7656–7657

Nominations: Senate received numerous nominations, consisting of 249 civilians, 23 in the Air Force, and 2,319 in the Marine Corps. Pages 7651–7656

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:06 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: On Friday, June 3, the committee continued its hearings on farm price support program, hearing testimony from Charles Marshall, president, Nebraska Farm Bureau, and representing the American Farm Bureau Federation. Hearings continue Tuesday, June 7.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: On Saturday, June 4, subcommittee concluded its hearings on H. R. 6367, Commerce Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, hearing testimony, as follows:

On funds for State maritime schools—Senators Kuchel (filed statement) and Lehman, Representatives

Baldwin, Rogers (Florida), and Roberts (filed statement), and Ralph A. Leavitt, president, board of trustees, Maine Maritime Academy, accompanied by Edward Hough;

In support of certain aviation items—Mayor William B. Hartsfield, of Atlanta, chairman of airport sponsors' committee, American Municipal Association;

On Maritime Administration activities—former Senator Herbert R. O'Conor, counsel, American Merchant Marine Institute, Alex Purdon, executive director, Committee of American Steamship Lines, and Ralph B. Dewey, Washington representative, Pacific American Steamship Association;

On funds for the Patent Office—former Representative Fritz Lanham, Washington, D. C., Norman N. Holland, past president of New York Patent Law Association, and James P. Burns, president, American Patent Law Association, Washington, D C.;

On grants-in-aid to airports—A. B. McMullen, National Association of State Aviation Officials, and Louis R. Inwood, Philadelphia;

On publication of CAB decisions—Robert E. Redding, D. C. Bar Association;

On various Census Bureau items—Robert J. Eggert, Detroit, and Mrs. Katherine P. Ellickson, CIO; and

On funds for the Panama Canal—Howard E. Munro, Canal Zone Labor Unions, LaVern R. Dilweg, Washington, D. C., and Emmett O'Neal, U. S. Citizens Association.

The subcommittee also received a statement for the record from Senator Johnson (Texas) in support of restoration of funds for CAA operation and regulation of airways.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony as follows:

On Air Force Industrial Fund—Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson, W. J. McNeil, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), and Maj. Gen. R. S. Moore, Special Assistant to the Comptroller;

On research and development—Donald A. Quarles, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Research and Development); and

On Air Force procurement—James H. Douglas, Under Secretary of the Air Force, Roger Lewis, Assistant Secretary (Materiel), and Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Air Force Chief of Staff.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR-HEW, AND INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, June 3, committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments the following bills:

H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare (as approved, the bill would provide total funds of $2,404,055,600, an increase of $65,533,339 over the House-passed figure of $2,337,522,261); and

H. R. 5240, fiscal 1956 appropriations for independent offices (as approved, the bill would provide total funds of $5,882,379,500, an increase of $36,784,125 over the House-passed figure of $5,845,595,375).

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Continuing its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for public works, subcommittee heard testimony from Brig. Gen. E. C Itschner, Assistant Chief for Civil Works, with regard to survey funds, and from Col. Alfred D. Starbird, Assistant Chief of Engineers for Civil Works (Flood Control), who discussed funds for flood-control planning.

On Friday, June 3, the subcommittee also heard these witnesses testify with regard to funds for flood-control projects.

On Saturday, June 4, subcommittee heard testimony from Brigadier General Itschner and Col. William Whipple. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—INTERIOR DIVISION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Publice Works—Division of Interior continued its hearings with further testimony in behalf of funds for the Bureau of Reclamation from E. G. Nielsen, Assistant Commissioner, N. B. Bennett, Jr., Chief of Project Development Division, F. E. Dominy, Chief of Irrigation Division, D. S. Campbell, Chief of Power Division, and A. R. Golze, Chief of Program Coordination and Finance Division. The subcommittee also heard testimony in behalf of funds for the Bonneville Power Administration from W. A. Pearl, Administrator, E. D. Ostrander, Director of Administrative Management, R. L. Conkling, Director of Budget and Management, and M. D. Dubrow, Manager, Washington, D. C., office.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Real Estate and Military Construction Subcommittee, in executive session, concluded its hearings on the Air Force title of S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations.

On Friday, June 3, the subcommittee heard further testimony regarding this bill from Brig. Gen. J. F. Rodenhauser, Director of Real Property, Air Force.

Hearings continue tomorrow in executive session.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on International Finance began hearings on S. 1894, to provide for the participation of the U. S. in the International Finance Corporation. Testimony favoring en-

actment of the bill was heard from Secretary of the Treasury George M. Humphrey, Assistant Secretary of State Samuel C. Waugh, and Glen E. Edgerton, President, Export-Import Bank. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. DELEGATES

Committee on the District of Columbia: On Friday, June 3, the Subcommittee on the Judiciary held hearings on S. 337 and H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions, hearing testimony favoring the bill from Mrs. Harvey W. Wiley, Federation of Citizens Associations; and testimony, also favoring but with certain suggested amendments, from Samuel Spencer, President, D. C. Board of Commissioners; D. C. Commissioner Robert E. McLaughlin; Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; Melvin Hildreth, Democratic national committeeman for the D. C.; George L. Hart, the Republican State Committee for the D. C.; Gerhard P. Van Arkel, Democratic Central Committee of the D. C.; Sturgis Warner, D. C. attorney; A. L. Wheeler, Democratic Central Committee; Edward Burling, Jr., D. C. Citizens for Eisenhower Congressional Committee; Woolsey W. Hall, Central Northwest Citizens Association; James Cobb; Huver I. Brown, Pleasant Plains Civic Association and the D. C. Federation of Civil Associations; Tilford Dudley, ADA; J. C. Turner, Central Labor Union; and David Whatley.

Subcommittee will hold an executive session tomorrow for the consideration of this bill.

GENEVA CONVENTIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: On Friday, June 3, committee held and concluded hearings on Geneva conventions for the protection of war victims (Execs. D, E, F, and G, 82d Cong., 1st sess.), hearing testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Dirksen; Robert Murphy, Deputy Under Secretary of State, accompanied by his associates; Wilber M. Brucker, General Counsel, Defense Department, accompanied by his associates; J. Lee Rankin, Assistant Attorney General, Justice Department, accompanied by Robert W. Ginnane, Special Assistant; Ellsworth Bunker, president, American National Red Cross, accompanied by Harold W. Starr, counselor; former Senator Millard E. Tydings and Kenneth Perry, attorney, both representing Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick, N. J.; Clark M. Clifford, representing A. P. W. Paper Co.; Robert P. Smith, attorney, representing the Grand Imperial Ecclesiastical and Military Order of the Red Cross of Constantine; and John E. Cassidy, attorney, representing the John B. Canepa Co., Chicago.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: On Friday, June 3, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, with further testimony from Capt. Raymond Wool, Wilkins Air Force Base, Shelby, Ohio, and formerly contracting officer of ASTAPA, New York City. Also testifying were Dorothy Auringer, Green Village, N. J., and Nancy Goade, Allentown, Pa., both former employees of Fran's Dress Shop in Madison, N. J., at the time it was owned by Captain Wool and his wife. Hearings continue Tuesday, June 7.

FEDERAL AID TO AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation began hearings on S. 1855, to amend the Federal Airport Act, hearing testimony today from the following witnesses: Ross Rizley, Chairman, CAB, who favored a vigorous Federal aid-to-airport program, but did not comment specifically on S. 1855; A. B. McMullen, executive secretary, National Association of State Aviation Officials, who favored the bill and urged certain additional amendments; Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation, who opposed the bill; Fred B. Lee, Administrator, CAA, who submitted clarifying testimony on certain aspects of the bill, and answered questions of the subcommittee; and Louis Inwood, Airport Operators Council, who favored enactment of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

(1) The nominations of Reynier J. Wortendyke, Jr., to be U. S. district judge for the district of New Jersey, Benjamin M. Tashiro to be judge of the fifth circuit, circuit courts, Territory of Hawaii, and William G. East to be U. S. district judge for the district of Oregon;

(2) Four private claims bills (S. 1083, H. R. 5907, 5078, 5196); and

(3) Forty-eight private immigration bills (S. 38, 47, 85, 86, 101, 111, 117, 137, 142, 160, 161, 174, 177, 181, 190, 197, 198, 214, 235, 254, 284, 287, 324, 325, 326, 340, 345, 346, 354, 360, 367, 368, 369, 387, 388, 389, 396, 470, 477, 498, 541, 1867, H. R. 891, 970, 1487, 1656, 1660, and 3020).

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on 27 private immigration bills (S. 199, 307, 327, 343, 390, 426, 478, 484, 485, 506, 507, 509, 554, 556, 559, 560, 573, 647, 694, 819, 850, 1113, 1223, 1295, 1545, 1662, and H. R. 1461), and 11 private claims bills (S. 70, 124, 564, 842, 1116, 1366, 1673, 1728, H. R. 1426, 1943, and 4191).

ANTITRUST PROBLEMS

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, June 3, Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued hearings on its investigation into the antitrust field, hearing as witnesses Prof. Donald F. Turner, Harvard University Law School, and Dr. Myron W. Watkins, Bond, Watkins, Mounteer & Co. Hearings continue on Tuesday, June 7.

NARCOTICS

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, June 3, Subcommittee on Improvements in the Federal Criminal Code (Narcotics) continued its hearings to develop the extent of the narcotics problem and to learn what Federal officials are doing to meet the problem under present laws. Harry J. Anslinger, Commissioner of Narcotics, gave further testimony, and the subcommittee also heard M. L. Harney, Technical Assistant to Secretary of Treasury, Enforcement, Commissioner Ralph Kelly, Bureau of Customs, accompanied by Chester A. Emerick, Deputy Commissioner, Investigations, and Irving S. Brown, Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Investigations, and Warren Olney 3d, Assistant Attorney General (Criminal Division).

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 5106, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to authorize loans for farm housing to be guaranteed or insured under the same terms and conditions as apply to residential housing; H. R. 5100, to amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care; and H. R. 5177, authorizing transfer of certain land in Richland County, S. C.; and with amendment H. R. 5089, to extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances. The committee also approved the nomination of Edward Steidle, of Pennsylvania, to be a member of the Federal Coal Mine Safety Board of Review.

The committee also announced that hearings will be held in the near future on S. 1984 and S. 2147, bills dealing with the administration of Salk antipolio vaccine program.

LABOR PRACTICES—GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, June 3, the special subcommittee continued hearings on S. 1760, to require compliance with the National Labor Relations Act as a condition of receiving Government contracts, hearing testimony in favor of the bill from Emil Mazey, secretary-treasurer, United Auto Workers—CIO. Testifying in opposition to the bill was Lyman C. Conger, assistant secretary, the Kohler Co., Kohler, Wis.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, June 3, the Labor Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee certain proposals amending the Fair Labor Standards Act, including increasing the minimum hourly wage from 75 cents to $1, effective January 1, 1956, and certain proposals relating to minimum wages in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The committee agreed to postpone, until a later date, consideration of coverage of additional workers under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

CIVIL-SERVICE RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: On Friday, June 3, the Retirement Subcommittee held and concluded hearings on S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service. Testimony favoring the bill was heard from Dillard B. Lasseter, W. T. Spanton, Stanley B. Fracker, and E. C. Elting, all of the Organization of Professional Employees of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees Council; John McCart, American Federation of Government Employees; Rajie A. Saleeby; and William N. Alexander.

Testimony in opposition to the proposed legislation was heard from Warren Irons and Andrew Ruddick, both of the Civil Service Commission, and Walter L. Disbrow, Retirement Federation of Civil Service Employees of the U. S. Government.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H. R. 6641–6667; 10 private bills, H. R. 6668–6677; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 335 and H. Con. Res. 152 and 153, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 4808, to provide for transmission through the mails of keys and identification cards, amended (H. Rept. 729);

H. R. 5891, to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, amended (H. Rept. 730); and

Conference report on H. R. 5085, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 731).

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Internal Revenue Code: H. R. 4725, to repeal sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated ex-

penses, respectively, was cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto.

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REA Loans: By a voice vote the House passed, and cleared for the White House, S. 153, to amend the Rural Electrification Act regarding allocation of electrification funds, and tabled H. R. 5376, a similar bill. H. Res. 254, the rule providing for the consideration of the legislation, had been adopted previously. Pages 7661–7665

Bill Referred: S. 2090, the Mutual Security Act of 1955, was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:07 p. m.

Committee Meetings

WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: The Albert subcommittee postponed today's scheduled hearing on H. R. 1834, and similar bills, which would exempt producers from penalties for marketing wheat in excess of farm marketing quotas where all the wheat crop is fed or used for seed on the farm. Announced that statements in opposition to the proposal, which were expected to be made today, would be filed as part of the record.

DAIRY INDUSTRY

Committee on Agriculture: The Abernethy subcommittee continued hearings last Friday relative to its study of the general dairy industry. Witnesses testifying were James G. Patton, president, National Farmers' Union; E. F. Bottomley, vice president, Virginia Farmers Union; John Baker, who presented the statement of J. Albert Hopkins, president of the Arkansas Farmers Union; Edwin Christianson, president, Minnesota Farmers Union; and Dwyte Wilson, general manager, Equity Union Creameries, Inc., Aberdeen, S. Dak. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Continued the section dealing with the Department of the Army contained in H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Consideration of this section was started last Friday morning when testimony was presented by Robert T. Stevens, Secretary of the Army. Recessed until tomorrow (Tuesday) morning when officials of the Department of the Army will resume testimony.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed hearings on H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provision and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums; and the conservation and development of urban communities. Today's witnesses were Walter B. Mills, president, National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials; Ira F. Robbins and Dr. William L. C. Wheaton, representing the National Housing Conference; and Rt. Rev. Msgr. John O'Grady, of the National Conference of Catholic Charities.

Friday's witnesses on the same subject were Wallace T. Campbell, director, the Cooperative League of America; Dr. Hurst R. Anderson, president, American University, Washington, D. C.; Fred W. Heitmann, Jr., vice president, Northwestern National Bank of Chicago; George P. Spiczak, vice president, Home Federal Savings & Loan Association of Chicago; Ben. J. Staal, treasurer, Holland Furnace Co.; and C. N. Nichols, managing director, National Association of Maintenance Repair & Building Improvement Contractors.

Committee resumes on same subject tomorrow (Tuesday) morning.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued hearings last Friday on pending proposals to increase the national minimum hourly wage standard. Witnesses testifying were Representative Blatnik, author of H. R. 3397, to increase the national minimum wage to $1.25 an hour; and Representative Hale, author of H. R. 277, to increase the national minimum wage to $1 an hour. Recessed until tomorrow (Tuesday) morning when Members of Congress are again scheduled to testify on the subject.

STATE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on Government Operations: The Hardy Subcommittee on International Operations began hearings today pertaining to a study of overseas personnel administration of the Department of State. Its first witness was Donold B. Lourie, former Under Secretary of State for Administration, who discussed said study which was made on the subject by the Robert Heller Associates, under his direction, in 1953–54. The subcommittee also heard testimony from Francis L. Elmendorf, senior vice president of the Robert Heller Associates, of Cleveland, Ohio. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

PUBLIC POWER LEGISLATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources resumed hearings to study cases of alleged changing of certain public power regulations by the Department of the Interior under Secretary Douglas McKay. Mastin G. White, former Solicitor of the Department of the Interior, was recalled today for further interrogation by the subcommittee. Recessed until tomorrow morning when James D. Geissinger, regional solicitor for the Department of Interior in Denver, Colo., is scheduled to testify.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee met in executive session today to consider legislation relating to the upper Colorado River storage

projects. Pending bills on this subject are H. R. 270, 2836, 3383, 3384, and 4488. Recessed tentatively until tomorrow morning, following the meeting of the full committee.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee (last Friday) ordered three amended bills reported to the full committee—

H. R. 2787, a private conveyance and release of lands to the Federal Government within the Coconino and Sitgreaves National Forests, Ariz.;

H. R. 4001, to provide for the management and disposition of certain lands conveyed to the United States by the Choctaw, and Chickasaw Nation of Indians; and

H. J. Res. 303, to establish the Crazy Horse Memorial Commission to provide for the construction of a permanent national memorial to the North American Indians.

Also passed over without prejudice H. R. 4516, to extend to grazing lessees of public lands the right of compensation for losses sustained by them by reason of the use of the public domain or other property for war or national-defense purposes.

Representative Albert, of Oklahoma, discussed H. R. 4001, with supporting testimony being furnished by Edward Woozley, Director, Bureau of Land Management; Harold R. Hochmuth, lands staff officer of the same Bureau; and Herbert J. Slaughter, Solicitor's Office, Department of the Interior. Messrs Woozley and Hochmuth also spoke on behalf of H. R. 4516, along with R. K. Pierson, of the Bureau of Land Management. Testimony on H. R. 2787 (and H. R. 2774, a comparable measure) was presented by Edward Crafts, Assistant Chief, U. S. Forest Service; and Fred Mynatt, Assistant General Counsel, Department of Agriculture, who stated that their agencies had no objection to enactment of the proposal. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems received testimony today from the following witnesses—Earl Bunting, honorary vice president of the National Association of Manufacturers; and W. W. Marsh, executive secretary of the National Association of Independent Tire Dealers. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported favorably to the full committee S. Con. Res. 33, a private measure withdrawing suspension of deportation. Also ordered reported favorably to the full committee 41 private immigration bills (15 of the House and 26 of the Senate), and reported adversely on 11 others (8 of the House and 3 of the Senate).

BRANCATO CASE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 also resumed public hearings in connection with the Francisco Brancato deportation case. Witnesses heard were Thomac G. Finucane, Chairman, Board of Immigration Appeals; and Sidney Rawitz, of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

PATENTS—TRADEMARKS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held hearings last Friday on H. R. 4983, providing for a general raise of patent fees payable to the Patent Office; and H. R. 6175, to amend the act of 1946 relating to trademarks. Witnesses heard on the subjects were Walter Williams, Under Secretary, Department of Commerce; Robert C. Watson, Commissioner of Patents, Department of Commerce; Cyril A. Soans, attorney at law, Chicago, Ill.; and Don L. Davis, representing Council of Gadget and Invention Industry, Los Angeles, Calif. Hearings will be continued on June 17.

INCORPORATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 heard testimony last Friday on H. R. 2656, to provide for the incorporation of the National Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, organized 1883. Witnesses testifying were Representative Robsion of Kentucky, author of the bill; Mrs. Laura Smith, chairman, legislative committee, National Women's Relief Corps Auxiliary, Rhode Island; Mrs. Ethel Ferris, member, legislative committee, National Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary, Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Ruth E. Johnson, national president, National Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary, California.

Also heard Representative Thomas, author of H. R. 344, to incorporate the Pan American Round Table of the United States, who explained the objectives of the measure.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: The Blatnik subcommittee heard Members of Congress and local interested witnesses today in connection with pending river and harbor bills and review resolutions. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Conferees continued, in executive session, to resolve the remaining differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, but made no announcements and will meet again tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—INTERIOR

Conferees, in executive session on Friday, June 3, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5085, Interior Department appropriations for fiscal 1955.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared postal pay increase bill for President.

By 60 to 25, Senate passed Housing Act of 1955, and also cleared bill on veterans' mortgages for President.

House passed 99 miscellaneous bills.

Senate Labor Committee reported bill increasing hourly minimum wage.

House committee defeated motion to approve bill to amend Natural Gas Act.

Conferees agreed to file report on trade agreements bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7710–7721

Bills Introduced: 20 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2154–S. 2174; S. J. Res. 75 and S. Con. Res. 36. Pages 7712–7714

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 92, 135, 187, 1020, 1033, 175, H. R. 1002, 1974, 2236, 903, 1003, 1202, 1400, 1401, 1409, 1640, 1692, 1747, 2456, 2529, 2760, 2907, 3281, 3958, 4249, 4714, 1069, 1416, 1643, and 3045, private bills (S. Repts. 467–496, respectively);

S. 1397, authorizing conveyance of lands on the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation to St. Mary's Mission, with amendments (S. Rept. 497);

S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 in order to increase the national minimum wage from 75 cents to $1, and for other purposes (S. Rept. 498);

S. 1878, to extend for 5 years the authority for conveyance of certain lands to Miles City, Mont. (S. Rept. 499); and

S. Res. 106, authorizing additional funds for $10,000 for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs (no written report). Page 7712

Postal Pay Increase: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 2061, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department, clearing the bill for the White House. Pages 7736–7737

Veterans' Mortgages: Senate concurred, with amendments, in House amendment to S. 654, to extend the authority of the VA Administrator to make direct loans, and to make additional type of direct loans thereunder. Pages 7737–7738

Housing: By 60 yeas to 25 nays, Senate passed with amendments S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955, after taking the following actions on amendments thereto:

Adopted: Flanders amendment providing that number of additional dwelling units commenced during fiscal year may be increased by not more than 65,000 or decreased by not more than 85,000 upon a Presidential determination of the general effect thereof on the building industry and the national economy; Monroney amendment providing that interest rates on mortgage contracts under title III (college housing) shall extend to those contracts under which loan funds have not been fully disbursed prior to enactment of this title; Bush amendment increasing by $135 million authorized mortgages under title VIII (armed services housing mortgage insurance) and to extend title to Coast Guard; Byrd amendment requiring certificate that inspection has indicated compliance with plans and specifications before Secretary of Defense may operate certain military housing; Kuchel amendment authorizing any city where there were 10,000 temporary housing units on March 1, 1953, to purchase the land at fair market value for housing purposes; Bush amendment giving Administrator power to sell to town of Glastonbury, Conn., 199 dwelling units in Welles Village; Stennis amendment respecting market value of land or housing acquired by Secretary of Defense in condemnation proceedings; Sparkman amendment providing for insured loans in farm housing loan program to be purchasable by national banks similarly to Bankhead-Jones Act loans and FHA loans; and Sparkman amendment providing for appointment of a special assistant for cooperative housing; and

Rejected: By 38 yeas to 44 nays, modified Capehart amendment increasing by 35,000 each for fiscal years 1955–57 the authorization for additional low-rent housing dwelling units, rather than 135,000 units annually as provided in the bill.

Pages 7721–7735, 7738–7742, 7747–7758

Copper Tax: H. R. 5695, to continue until June 30, 1958, suspension of import tax on copper, was made Senate's pending business. Page 7759

Confirmations: Four civilian nominations were confirmed. Page 7763

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:37 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings on the farm price support program, committee heard testimony from James G. Patton, president, National Farmers Union, and Herschel D. Newsom, master, National Grange. Hearings continue Thursday, June 9.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for public works, with testimony from Brig. Gen. E. C. Itschner, Assistant Chief for Civil Works, Col. John U. Allen (who discussed funds for navigational planning), and Brig. Gen. W. E. Potter, division engineer, Missouri River Division (who discussed funds for Missouri River Basin projects), all of the Corps of Engineers, Army. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—INTERIOR DIVISION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works—Division of Interior—heard further testimony in behalf of funds for the Bonneville Power Administration from W. A. Pearl, Administrator, E. D. Ostrander, Director of Administrative Management, R. L. Conkling, Director of Budget and Management, and M. D. Dubrow, Manager, Washington, D. C., office. Testimony was also heard in behalf of funds for the Southeastern Power Administration from Assistant Secretary of Interior (Water and Power) Fred G. Aandahl, and Charles W. Leavy, Administrator, SEPA; and in behalf of funds for the Southwestern Power Administration from Mr. Aandahl and Douglas G. Wright, Administrator, SWPA.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction continued its hearings, in executive session, on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, hearing testimony from Roger W. Fulling, Director of Construction, Office of Secretary of Defense, who submitted supplemental testimony on various items of the bill.

In an afternoon session, also executive, the subcommittee heard Allen Dulles, Director of Central Intelligence, testify with regard to authorizations for construction of a new CIA building. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow to hear Assistant Secretary of Defense Franklin G. Floete.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on International Finance concluded its hearings on S. 1894, to provide for the participation of the U. S. in the International Finance Corporation, hearing testimony in favor of the bill from David W. MacEachron, U. S. Council, International Chamber of Commerce; John C. Lynn, legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; Robert H. Craft, chairman, foreign investment committee, Investment Bankers Association of America; and Dr. Henry Tenenbaum, Washington Board of Trade. Testifying in opposition to the bill was William S. Swingle, president, National Foreign Trade Council, Inc.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

D. C. DELEGATES

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary met in executive session for the consideration of H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions, and instructed the staff to draft new language to certain sections of the bill to be considered by the subcommittee at a later date.

RENEGOTIATION

Committee on Finance: Committee began hearings on H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years, hearing testimony from the following witnesses: Secretary of the Air Force Harold E. Talbott; Frank L. Roberts, Chairman, Renegotiation Board; Ross Nichols, National Association of Manufacturers; Walter R. Howell, president, National Association of Finishers of Textile Fabrics; Hugh Rawls, president, Rawls Contractors, Inc.; and William T. Darden, editor and publisher, Reports for Industry.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PLAN FOR ECONOMIC DISARMAMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings on S. Res. 71, a proposal to limit the proportion of key resources a nation may use for arms, so that more can be used for civilian goods. Testifying in support of this resolution were Senator Symington, its sponsor, and Samuel Lubell, a newspaper and magazine writer.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, with testimony from Hyman Serebransky, of the Quartermaster depot in Philadelphia; George A. Earnshaw, formerly a civilian Quartermaster employee in Philadelphia; David Oshiver, presently Chief of the Technical Assistance Office, Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot, and former chief procurement officer, ASTAPA; and Harry Lev, president, Mid-City Uniform Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. Res. 106, authorizing additional funds of $10,000 for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; S. 1397, authorizing conveyance of lands on the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation to St. Mary's Mission; S. 1878, to extend for 5 years the authority for conveyance of certain lands to Miles City, Mont.; S. 1177, for the relief of desert land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating waters for reclamation; and S. 598, to provide for adjustments in lands acquired for Albeni Falls Reservoir, Idaho; and

With amendments—S. 1713, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands; and S. 1408, authorizing sale of 40 acres of submerged lands in Alaska to the Pacific Northern Timber Co.

FEDERAL AID TO AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Aviation Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1855, to amend the Federal Airport Act, hearing testimony favoring the bill from Mayor William B. Hartsfield, of Atlanta, representing American Municipal Association; Edward D. Rapier, vice chairman, City of New Orleans Aviation Board; Thomas K. Jordon, director, Wisconsin State Aeronautics Commission; Donald Durand, secretary and assistant general counsel, Air Transport Association; and A. B. McMullen, executive secretary, National Association of State Aviation Officials.

A statement, also favoring the bill, was submitted for the record by Fred Alley, of Charleston, W. Va., representing American Association of Airport Executives.

The hearings were recessed subject to call, and the record will remain open for 2 weeks for inclusion of additional written statements.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly had as its witness Assistant Attorney General (Antitrust Division) Stanley N. Barnes, who discussed monopolies in general and mergers in the automobile and steel industries. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TEXAS CITY DISASTER CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on S. 1077, providing for settlement of claims for damages resulting from the disaster at Texas City, Tex., on April 16–17, 1947, hearing testimony from Morton Litfin, Claims Division, Justice Department. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

MINIMUM WAGE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported a clean bill (S. 2168) to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 in order to increase the national minimum wage from 75 cents to $1, and for other purposes.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H. R. 6678–6701; 9 private bills, H. R. 6702–6710; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 336, H. Con. Res. 154, and H. Res. 263 and 264, were introduced. Pages 7810, 7815

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 263, providing for the consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4663, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws (H. Rept. 732);

S. 35, to permit the transportation in the mails of live scorpions, amended (H. Rept. 733); and

H. R. 692, authorizing a special canceling stamp or postmarking die bearing the words "Pray for Peace" (H. Rept. 734). Pages 7814–7815

Postal Pay: By a record vote of 410 yeas to 1 nay the House voted to suspend the rules and pass, with amendments, S. 2061, to increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department. This action returns the bill to the Senate. Pages 7764–7786

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Boston historic sites: S. J. Res. 6 (in lieu of H. J. Res. 207), relating to feasibility of a program for preserving historic properties, objects, and buildings in Boston, Mass., area.

Olympic Games: S. J. Res. 51 (in lieu of H. J. Res. 296), extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the Winter Olympic Games in the United States at Squaw Valley, Calif.

Burley tobacco: S. J. Res. 60, directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls.

Desert entries—mineral lands: S. 265, to amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands in order to increase the

limitation with respect to desert entries made under such acts to 320 acres.

Wyoming land transfer: S. 266, authorizing transfer of certain federally owned land to the State of Wyoming.

Minnesota toll bridge: S. 528 (in lieu of H. R. 4630), to extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a toll bridge across the Rainy River at or near Baudette, Minn.

War housing projects transfer: S. 755, authorizing a conveyance of certain war housing projects to the cities of Warwick and Hampton, Va.

Oklahoma land conveyance: S. 998 (in lieu of H. R. 1762), to provide for the conveyance of certain lands by the United States to the city of Woodward, Okla.

Commodity Exchange: S. 1398 (in lieu of H. R. 4514), to confer subpena power on Commodity Exchange Authority.

Lighthouse Service retirement: S. 1419 (in lieu of H. R. 3399), to lower the Lighthouse Service retirement age.

Also concluded legislative action on the following resolution:

Government tin smelter: S. Con. Res. 26, providing for the continued operation of the Government tin smelter at Texas City, Tex.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Simon Bolivar statue: H. J. Res. 232, authorizing the erection of a memorial gift from the Government of Venezuela.

Arson: H. R. 3233, to amend title 18, U. S. Code, so as to make it a criminal offense to move or travel in interstate commerce with intent to avoid prosecution, or custody or confinement after conviction, for arson.

Public lands: H. R. 4894, repealing certain laws relating to timber and stone on the public domain.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Lee Memorial: S. J. Res. 62, dedicating the Lee Mansion in Arlington National Cemetery as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee.

Park museums: S. 1747 (in lieu of H. R. 5597), increasing the public benefits from the national park system by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto.

Obscene matter: S. 600 (in lieu of H. R. 3333), to amend title 18 of U. S. Code relating to the mailing and transportation of obscene matter.

U. S. currency: H. R. 619, to provide that all United States currency shall bear the inscription "In God We Trust."

Louisiana drainage claims: H. R. 1768, for the relief of the Jefferson and Plaquemines Drainage District and certain persons whose properties abut the Federal Government's right-of-way for Harvey Canal in Louisiana.

Georgia land conveyance: H. R. 2973, to provide for the conveyance of all right, title, and interest in the United States in a certain tract of land in Macon County, Ga., to the Georgia State Board of Education.

Klamath River compact: H. R. 3587, granting the consent of Congress to the negotiation of a compact relating to the waters of the Klamath River by the States of Oregon and California.

Espionage: H. R. 3882, to require registration of certain persons who have knowledge of, or have received instruction or assignment in, the espionage, counter-espionage, or sabotage service or tactics of a foreign government or foreign political party.

Apple prices: H. R. 5188, to prohibit publication by the Government of the U. S. of any prediction with respect to apple prices.

Louisiana property conveyance: H. R. 5512, to provide for the conveyance of certain property under the jurisdiction of the Housing and Home Finance Administrator to the State of Louisiana.

Coast Guard retirement: H. R. 5875, providing involuntary retirement of certain officers in the Coast Guard.

Copyright law: H. R. 5876, to amend the copyright law to permit, in certain classes of works, the deposit of photographs or other identifying reproductions in lieu of copies of published works.

Passed over without prejudice:

NATO parliamentary conference: H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Conference.

Medal of Honor: H. R. 735, to provide $100 per month pension to holders of the Medal of Honor.

Indian land: H. R. 4802, authorizing the execution of mortgages and deeds of trust on individual Indian trust or restricted land.

Military pay and allowances: H. R. 5652, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army and Air Force, and for other purposes.

Passport fees: H. R. 5844, to increase the fee for executing an application for a passport from $1 to $3.

Objected to:

Alaskan Constitutional Convention: H. R. 5166, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska.

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Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 39, 68, 89, 93, 121, 129, 193, 236, 320, 321, 351, 407, 439, 504, and 844.

Also concluded action on H. Res. 250.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 1219, 1245, 1275, 1447, 1463, 1540, 1541, 1551, 1648, 1708, 1739, 1750, 1883, 1963, 1997, 2274, 2495, 2724, 2756, 2791, 2929, 3027, 3193, 3270, 3376, 3628, 3635, 3636, 3982, 4162, 4181, 4634, 5871, 5951, 6082, 6281, 6282, and 6395.

Sent to the Senate amended: H. R. 1015, 1216, 1488, 1537, 1538, 1549, 1552, 1661, 1693, 2073, 2721, 2911, 2925, 2946, 3048, 3504, 4026, and 6086.

Pages 7799–7810

Indiana Toll Charges: Pursuant to H. Res. 244, creating a select committee to conduct an investigation and study of the financial position of the White County Bridge Commission in connection with operation of bridge and approaches near New Harmony, Ind., the Speaker appointed Representatives Denton, Price, and Simpson of Illinois to membership on the above-mentioned select committee. Page 7810

Bills Referred: Four Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7814

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:33 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration, and increase borrowing participation in the management and control of the Farm Credit System. Interrogated on the proposal were Gov. R. B. Tootell and other officials of the Farm Credit Administration. Following the hearing the committee began executive reading of the bill for amendments. Made no announcement, and adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Held further executive discussion with officials of the Department of the Army on H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will continue on the Army section of the proposed legislation.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued public hearings on H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provisions and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Testimony was received today from W. Franklin Morrison and Harold P. Raymond, representing the National Savings and Loan League; and Arthur P. Wilcox and John C. Williamson, representing the National Association Real Estate Boards. The last-mentioned witnesses are scheduled to return tomorrow morning for interrogation regarding their testimony.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Teague (Texas) subcommittee heard testimony today in connection with H. R. 5119, to make a general revision of the act approved August 11, 1950, authorizing the District of Columbia government to establish an Office of Civil Defense. Witnesses appearing were Val Peterson, Federal Civil Defense Administrator; Robert L. Corsbie, Atomic Energy Commission; Col. Barnett W. Beers, Department of Defense; and Lt. Gen. Willard S. Paul, Office of Defense Mobilization. Recessed until Thursday morning.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Under Secretary of Labor Arthur Larson urged favorable action today on an administration's recommendation to raise the national minimum wage standard to 90 cents, and various proposals to enlarge the number of eligible workers to be covered under minimum wage standard. Mr. Larson is scheduled to return tomorrow for interrogation regarding his testimony.

PUBLIC POWER LEGISLATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources continued hearings relative to its study of alleged changes made in certain public power regulations by the Department of the Interior under Secretary McKay. James D. Geissinger, regional solicitor for the Department of the Interior, in Denver, Colo., testified today, and is scheduled to be recalled tomorrow morning for questioning on his testimony. Other departmental officials will follow.

GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks Subcommittee on Special Government Activities heard authors of pending subjects today, as follows—

Representative Thomas on H. R. 1994, for reconveyance by GSA of certain surplus realty to the Hermann Hospital Estate, Houston, Tex.;

Representative Short on H. R. 482, to provide for conveyance of a portion of the O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo., to the State of Missouri; and

Representative Fisher on H. J. Res. 276, to authorize the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation to convey certain land to Kerr County, Tex., and such county convey a portion thereof to the State of Texas.

Recessed until tomorrow morning for consideration of other pending bills.

PUBLIC LANDS—INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selections, and similar rights;

H. R. 4664, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to require certain rights-of-way and timber access roads;

H. R. 4747, to provide that reversionary Federal interests in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Okla., shall be quitclaimed to such city;

H. R. 4001, amended, to provide for the management and disposition of certain lands conveyed to the United States by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nation of Indians; and

H. J. Res. 303, amended, to establish the Crazy Horse Memorial Commission to provide for the construction of a permanent national memorial to the North American Indians.

Also ordered re-referred to the Subcommitte on Public Lands S. 1529, to extend the boundaries of the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Park, N. Dak.

OSAGE INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee considered Osage Indian tribal payments and approved transmittal of a letter to the Secretary of the Interior declaring it to be the subcommittee's conclusion that certain charges be excluded from the list of charges deemed by the subcommittee to be appropriately assessable against the Osage Tribe.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee met for further executive consideration of legislation relating to the upper Colorado River storage projects. Pending bills on the subject are H. R. 270, 2836, 3383, 3384, and 4488. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Voted 14 to 14, thereby rejecting a motion to report to the House H. R. 4560, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from Federal Power Commission regulation. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to reconsider the vote by which the committee refused to report the bill to the House.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems received testimony at today's public session from the following witnesses—Representative Multer, of New York; Prof. S. Chesterfield Oppenheim, University of Michigan Law School; and Prof. Eugene Rostow, Yale University Law School. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

DEPORTATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 today heard Mario Noto, Chief Investigator, Immigration and Naturalization Service, on current deportation cases.

WRIT APPLICATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held a hearing on H. R. 5649, to amend the U. S. Code in reference to applications for writs of habeas corpus by persons in custody pursuant to the judgment of a State court. Witnesses heard on this proposal were Chief Judge John J. Parker, U. S. Court of Appeals (4th Judicial Circuit), Charlotte, N. C.; Chief Justice Carl V. Weybandt, Ohio State Supreme Court; and Henry P. Chandler, Director, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts. A statement was also filed for the record on behalf of Chief Judge Orie L. Phillips, U. S. Court of Appeals (10th Judicial Circuit), Denver, Colo. Recessed on the subject until June 24.

NUCLEAR-POWERED SHIPPING

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 6679, to authorize the construction of two nuclear-powered merchant ships to promote the peacetime application of atomic energy. Witnesses testifying on the proposed legislation were Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation; Clarence G. Morse, Federal Maritime Administrator; Walter C. Ford, Deputy Maritime Administrator; and John J. McMullen, Chief of Ship Construction and Repairs, Maritime Administration.

PENALTY ENVELOPES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Fascell subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5856, to repeal requirements for department heads to report to the Postmaster General the number of penalty envelopes and wrappers on hand at the close of the fiscal year. Officials of the Post Office Department testified on the proposal.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES—CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT—FEDERAL PRINTING

Committee on Rules: Took the following action at today's session—

Granted a rule, providing for 4 hours of general debate, on H. R. 6227, the Bank Holding Act of 1955. All sections of the measure will be open to amendment, except that section dealing with the Internal Revenue Code (beginning p. 19, line 7, up to and including p. 30, line 13). This section can be amended only at the direction of the Committee on Banking and Currency, but said amendments are not subject to amendment. Representatives Cooper, Spence, Wolcott, Multer, Kilburn, and Patman were heard on the proposal.

Granted an open rule, providing for 2 hours of general debate, on H. R. 4663, the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, in California. Representatives Engle, Saylor, Miller of Nebraska, Moss, and Sisk spoke in support of the legislation, and Representative Scudder was opposed.

Also considered, but deferred action on, H. Res. 262, authorizing the Subcommittee on Printing to make studies and inquiries relative to unnecessary Federal printing and paperwork. Representatives Hays of Ohio and Schenck appeared on behalf of the study resolution.

VETERANS' RETIREMENTS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Dorn (South Carolina) subcommittee approved for reporting to the

full committee H. R. 5893, extending to veterans, with active service on and after January 27, 1950, and prior to February 1, 1955, certain pensions—also extended to dependents of veterans; and increasing from $3,000 to $10,000 the maximum amount that retired armed services' retirees may receive as combined retired pay and civilian or Federal office compensation.

GASOLINE-STATION OPERATIONS

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 5 held further public hearings in connection with its study of alleged discriminatory and coercive practices by major oil companies against retail-gasoline-station operators. Officials of Penzoil of California who discussed the subject today were Lee Johnson, president, and Jack Beeman, assistant to the general sales manager. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

TRADE AGREEMENTS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Following today's session, conferees announced the following:

Senate amendments on which the House conferees receded and concurred without amendment: Nos. 1–12, 14–17, and 19–27;

Senate amendments on which the House conferees receded and concurred with amendments: Nos. 13, 28, and 29; and

The Senate conferees receded from Senate amendment No. 18.

Wednesday, June 8, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared Interior Department appropriations for President.

Senate passed seven bills, including minimum wage increase and suspension of copper import taxes.

House passed bills on Inter-American Highway and museum construction.

Senate Civil Service and Commerce Committees approved miscellaneous bills and nominations.

House committee voted to approve bill to amend Natural Gas Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7850–7854

Bills Introduced: 9 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2174–S. 2182. Page 7851

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1790, to amend Revised Statutes to authorize more liberal propelling power allowances in computing the net tonnages of certain vessels (S. Rept. 500);

H. R. 4359, conveyance of certain real property to the city of Richmond, Calif. (S. Rept. 501);

H. R. 5146, private bill (S. Rept. 502);

H. R. 5398, to increase the efficiency of the Coast and Geodetic Survey (S. Rept. 503); and

S. 1791, relating to the lights required to be carried by motorboats, with amendments (S. Rept. 504).

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Bills Referred: 68 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 7876

President's Communication: Proposed supplemental appropriation for Executive Office of the President for fiscal year 1956, amounting to $1.25 million, was received from President, referred to Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 48.

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Copper Import Taxes: Senate passed without amendment and so cleared for White House H. R. 5695, to continue through June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper. Pages 7854–7867

Minimum Wage Increase: Senate passed without amendment S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 in order to increase the national minimum hourly wage from 75 cents to $1. Prior to passage, Senate rejected amendment by Senator Smith (of New Jersey) to increase minimum hourly wage from 75 cents to 90 cents during calendar 1956, 95 cents during 1957, and $1 thereafter. Pages 7867–7875

Committee Expenditures: S. Res. 106, authorizing additional funds for Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, was taken from calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 7851

Government Building Construction: After adopting committee amendments thereto, Senate passed without further amendment S. 1290, to provide for the construction of certain Government buildings in the D. C.

Pages 7876–7877

Veterans' Dental Care: H. R. 5100, to amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care, was passed without amendment, clearing the bill for the President.

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GI Farm Housing Loans: Senate cleared for President by passing without amendment H. R. 5106, to amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to authorize loans for farm housing to be guaranteed or insured under the same terms and conditions as apply to residential housing. Pages 7877–7878

Land Transfer—South Carolina: Senate passed without amendment and thus cleared for President H. R. 5177, authorizing transfer of certain land in Richland County, S. C. Page 7878

GI Auto Purchases: H. R. 5089, to extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances, was passed with committee amendments. Page 7878

Interior Department Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on, and cleared for President, H. R. 5085, Interior Department appropriations for fiscal year 1956. Senate cleared amendments in disagreement by concurring in House amendments to Senate amendments No. 18 (regarding payment for sculpture work on Yorktown victory monument) and No. 24 (respecting revolving fund for loans, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands) and by receding from its own amendments Nos. 14 and 15 (conservation and development of mineral resources, Bureau of Mines). Pages 7880–7882

Watches and Clocks in Defense: Staff Study of Preparedness Subcommittee No. 6 of the Committee on Armed Services on Essentiality of American Horological Industry, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 49.

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Land Transfer: Senate made its pending business S. 1397, authorizing conveyance of lands on the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation to St. Mary's Mission.

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Nominations: 214 Army nominations were received.

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Recess: Recessed at 3:40 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—OCCUPIED AREAS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee held hearings on appropriation for government and relief in occupied areas, hearing testimony from Col. W. W. Perham, Deputy Chief, Office of Civil Affairs and Military Government, Army, and Stuart T. Baron, Director of Economics and Finance, U. S. Civil Administration of the Ryukyu Islands.

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia, with testimony from the following D. C. officials: Commissioners Spencer and Lane; Vernon West, Corporation Counsel; Walter L. Fowler, budget officer; Schuyler Lowe, Director, and James L. Martin, finance officer and Assessor, both of the Department of General Administration; Walter L. Fowler for compensation and retirement fund; Alan W. Payne, Chairman, Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; Herbert J. Jacobi, member, and Hugh F. Rivers, parole executive, both of the Board of Parole; Dr. A. Magruder MacDonald, Coroner; J. Calvin Cruickshank, Insurance Department; Frank E. Weakly, member, Minimum Wage and Industrial Safety Board; John B. Duncan, Recorder of Deeds; George E. C. Hayes, Chairman, PUC; Henry G. Ashton, executive officer, Zoning Commission; and Robert F. Cogswell, Director, Department of Occupations and Professions. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1956 budget estimates for public works, hearing testimony today from Col. William Whipple, Corps of Engineers, Army, who discussed funds for multiple-purpose planning, and from John R. Hardin, president, Mississippi River Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Real Estate and Military Construction Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, hearing general testimony today from Franklin G. Floete, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Property and Installations).

Hearings continue Monday, June 13.

NOMINATION—SEC

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities held hearings on the nomination of Harold C. Patterson to be a member of the SEC, where the nominee testified in his own behalf.

PROXY CONTESTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities continued its hearings on the subject of proxy contests, hearing testimony today from William White, former president of the New York Central Railroad. Mr. White testified as to the need for full disclosure of beneficial owners of stock in proxy contests, and need for regulation by the SEC of proxy solicitation material. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Business and Commerce held and concluded hearings on the following bills:

On S. 1057, to permit consolidation of D. C. banks and national banks—with testimony from Francis G. Addison, Jr., D. C. Bankers Association, and J. D. Bowersock, Union Trust Co., both of whom favored the bill; Irving Bryan, Assistant Corporation Counsel for D. C., who opposed the bill; and Arthur P. Drury, counsel, National Savings & Trust Co., who urged that the bill be amended before enactment;

On S. 48, to provide for the disqualifications of certain former D. C. officers and employees in matters connected with former duties—with favoring testimony from Irving Bryan, and Albert F. Jordan, superintendent, D. C. Department of Insurance, who appeared to answer questions of the subcommittee with regard to this proposed legislation; and

On H. R. 6063, to exempt certain House-Senate employees from D. C. motor-vehicle registration requirements and operators' licenses when they prove legal residence in some State—with testimony from Irving Bryan, Herman Cole, Motor Vehicles Division, D. C. Department of Vehicles and Traffic, and Mrs. Edward Morris, Federation of Citizens' Associations, all of whom opposed enactment of the bill.

Subcommittee took no action on these bills.

RENEGOTIATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years, after hearing testimony today from Senators Case (South Dakota) and Dworshak; Terry Rice, accompanied by Leslie Mills, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; Charles W. Stewart, Machinery and Allied Products Institute; J. R. Barnes, Illinois Manufacturers Association; B. F. W. Heyer, president, Heyer Products Co., Inc.; C. M. Burgess, Burgess-Norton Manufacturing Co.; W. A. Rushlight, Portland, Oreg.; Wendell S. Fletcher, Fletcher Aviation Corp.; and Austin E. Page, Lane Construction Corp.

Committee will meet in executive session tomorrow to consider this proposed legislation.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations heard further testimony today from Harry Lev, president, Mid-City Uniform Co., in connection with its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency. Hearings continue tomorrow.

HELLS CANYON

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with an amendment S. 1333, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Hells Canyon Dam on Snake River between Idaho and Oregon.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 1790, to amend Revised Statutes to authorize more liberal propelling-power allowances in computing the net tonnages of certain vessels; H. R. 5398, to increase the efficiency of the Coast and Geodetic Survey; H. R. 5146, a private bill; H. R. 4359, conveyance of certain real property to the city of Richmond, Calif.; S. 1966, to amend Interstate Commerce Act regarding filing of documents evidencing lease or sale of motor vehicles; and S. 2074, to extend for 5 years the provisions of act to promote development of improved transport aircraft;

Amended—S. 1378, to clarify authority to require establishment, maintenance, and operation of aids to navigation on fixed structures in or over navigable waters of U. S.; and S. 1791, relating to the lights required to be carried by motorboats; and

Fifteen routine nominations in the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and 249 in the Coast Guard.

The committee also announced that hearings would be held on June 16 on the nominations of Richard A. Mack, of Florida, to be a member of the FCC, and William C. Kern, of Indiana, to be a member of the FTC, and that an executive session would be held on June 16 on the nomination of John A. Hall, of California, to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC.

It was also announced that the committee will proceed with a study of all Federal and State merchant marine academies prior to acting on H. R. 6043, to make Kings Point, N. Y., Merchant Marine Academy a permanent institution.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings, with testimony today from L. L. Colbert, president, Chrysler Corp. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUDGESHIP BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Improvements in Judicial Machinery concluded hearings on S. 1256, and other related bills providing for the appointment of additional circuit and district judges, hearing testimony today, as follows:

Senators Hruska and Curtis and John Delehant, U. S. district judge for the district of Nebraska, who favored S. 1512, to eliminate separate divisions and reduce the number of places of holding regular terms of the U. S. District Court for the District of Nebraska;

Delegate Bartlett, who testified regarding the Alaska provisions of S. 1256; and

Henry P. Chandler, Director, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts, who submitted general testimony.

NARCOTICS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Improvements in the Federal Criminal Code (Narcotics) continued its hearings to develop the extent of the narcotics problem and to learn what Federal officials are doing to meet the problem under the present laws. Witnesses testifying today were Dr. Frank B. Berry, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health and Medical); G. Halsey Hunt, Associate Chief of the Bureau of Medical Services, PHS; and Dr. Kenneth W. Chapman, formerly medical officer in charge of PHS hospital at Lexington, Ky. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

REFUGEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee To Investigate Problems Connected With Emigration of Refugees and Escapees held hearings on S. 1794, to amend the Refugee Relief Act of 1953, to redefine the term "refugee," to provide for agency assurances, and to eliminate readmission requirements. Testimony regarding this bill was heard from Senator Lehman; Gov. G. Mennen Williams, of Michigan; David Carliner, AMVETS; Crete Anderson, American Legion; Mrs. T. Schufuss, Tolstoy Foundation; and Roland Elliott, World Council of Churches. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: In executive session, committee ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 4659, to correct inequities in pay schedules of dispatchers in the post-office motor-vehicle service; and with amendment S. 912, relating to a uniform retirement date for authorized retirements of Federal personnel; S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service; and S. 1292, to readjust postal classification on educational and cultural materials.

The committee also approved 35 postmaster nominations.

SUBCOMMITTEE-APPROVED BILLS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors—Flood Control, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment H. R. 208, Arkansas River compact between Arkansas and Oklahoma, H. R. 3878, to amend the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood-control work, and H. R. 4426, to amend the act of 1922 relating to installation of telephones in certain private residences for Federal use; and with amendment S. 1550, authorizing Maine State Highway Commission to construct and operate a free highway bridge across the St. Croix River between Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H. R. 6711–6734; 8 private bills, H. R. 6735–6742; and 3 resolutions, H. J. Res. 337 and H. Res. 265 and 266, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 265, providing for the consideration of, the limiting of amendments to, and 4 hours of debate on, H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies (H. Rept. 735);

H. R. 3253, providing for the continued operation of certain schools on military installations (H. Rept. 736); and

Second Intermediate Report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Military Procurement of Air Navigation Equipment" (H. Rept. 737).

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Interior Department Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 5085, making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for fiscal year 1956, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Thirteen amendments were in disagreement and on which the House acted as follows: Receded and concurred in amendments Nos. 6, 8, 11, 21, 34, 36, 38, 46, and 47. Insisted on its disagreement to amendments Nos. 14 and 15 dealing with the Bureau of Mines. Receded and concurred with further amendments to

amendments Nos. 18 and 24 pertaining to the Yorktown Monument under the National Park Service and the revolving fund for loans, Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, respectively. Pages 7891–7892

Veterans' Mortgages: S. 654, to extend for 2 years the authority of the VA Administrator to make direct loans, and to make additional type of direct loans thereunder, was cleared for Presidential action by House concurrence in Senate amendments to the House amendment. Page 7892

Inter-American Highway: Passed by a rollcall vote of 353 yeas to 13 nays H. R. 5923, to authorize certain sums to be appropriated immediately for the completion of the construction of the Inter-American Highway. This bill would authorize an appropriation of $57,730,000 to complete the highway within the next 3 years.

Rejected an amendment designed to delete language authorizing the expenditure of funds in countries unable to comply with fund-matching requirements.

H. Res. 260, the rule for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted earlier. Pages 7897–7908

Smithsonian Institution: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 6410, to authorize the construction of a building for a Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution, including the preparation of plans and specifications, and other work incidental thereto. The bill authorizes appropriations of $36 million to carry out the work of planning and constructing the building and appurtenances.

H. Res. 259, the rule making in order the consideration of the legislation, had been previously adopted. Pages 7896–7897, 7908–7913

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:47 p. m.

Committee Meetings

LIVESTOCK FEED LOANS

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Livestock and Feed Grains ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 4915, to extend for an additional 2 years the period for emergency assistance loans to farmers and stockmen; and the Subcommittee on Conservation and Credit ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5822, amended, to extend to June 30, 1957 (now June 30, 1955), the period for making loans in emergencies to farmers and stockmen for agricultural purposes.

WATER CONSERVATION—CLEMSON COLLEGE

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Conservation and Credit heard testimony in support of H. R. 6148 and 6146, to amend the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act to provide that the Federal Government shall pay a portion of the costs of certain works of improvement constructed for purposes of water conservation. Witnesses testifying were Representative Blitch, of Georgia (author of H. R. 6146); Donald A. Williams, Administrator, Soil Conservation Service; and Stanley W. Vogt, National Farmers Union.

Also considered miscellaneous bills to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release on behalf of the United States conditions in two deeds conveying certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina, so as to permit such college, subject to certain conditions, to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of such lands. Heard in support of this proposal were Representative Dorn, of South Carolina; Edward C. Crafts, Assistant Chief, U. S. Forest Service; and J. F. McLaurin and W. A. Burnett, trustees of Clemson College, South Carolina.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Continued consideration of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. In open session a delegation from Okinawa testified, relative to certain proposed Army land-acquisition items. In an afternoon executive session, various Army and Air Force items were discussed. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

GI LIFE INSURANCE

Committee on Armed Services: The Herbert Special Investigation Subcommittee held executive meeting on legislative recommendations regarding sales of commercial life insurance to GI's in Europe under license of the U. S. Army. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Arthur P. Wilcox and John C. Williamson, representing the National Association Real Estate Boards, returned today for further testimony at the hearing on H. R. 5827 and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provisions and improvement of housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Other witnesses heard on the proposed legislation were James Rouse, Mortgage Bankers Association; Arthur J. Packard, American Hotel Association; Robert P. Scott, U. S. Chamber of Commerce; and Earl W. Smith, National Association of Home Builders. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

CRIMINALLY INSANE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee concluded a hearing today on H. R. 6585, amending District of Columbia law relative to disposition of cases where an accused person of unsound mind or mental incompetency is unable to understand the proceedings against him or properly to assist in his defense. Testimony was received from officials

of the D. C. municipal government, Police Department, District Attorney's Office, and St. Elizabeths Hospital.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Under Secretary of Labor Arthur Larson returned for interrogation today, pertaining to his testimony of Tuesday, at which time he endorsed the administration's recommendation to raise the national minimum wage standard to 90 cents along with proposals to enlarge the number of eligible workers to be covered under minimum wage standards. The statement of Stuart Rothman, Solicitor of the Department of Labor, was also submitted for incorporation in the record. Adjourned until tomorrow morning, when the secretary-treasurer of the AFL is scheduled to testify.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Harold E. Stassen, Director of the Foreign Operations Administration, testified in open meeting today on the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954.

In an afternoon executive session the committee heard testimony from George V. Allen, Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian, and African Affairs; and Cedric H. Seager, Acting Regional Director, Office of Near East, South Asia, and Africa, Foreign Operations Administration. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, Supreme Commander, Allied Powers, Europe, is scheduled to appear at an executive meeting.

AIR NAVIGATION

Committee on Government Operations: Approved the report of the Holifield Subcommittee on Military Operations, entitled "Military Procurement of Air Navigation Procurement."

RED CROSS—4-H CLUBS

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks (Texas) Subcommittee on Special Government Activities approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3757, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to donate certain surplus property to the American National Red Cross under the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act. Also heard Representative Seely-Brown in connection with a bill he introduced in this session (H. R. 188) to provide that Government surplus property may be donated to 4-H Clubs for the construction, equipment, and operation of camps and centers. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

PUBLIC POWER LEGISLATION

Committee on Government Operations: James D. Geissinger, regional solicitor for the Department of the Interior, in Denver, Colo., testified further today in connection with alleged changes made in certain public power regulations by the Department of the Interior under Secretary McKay. This study is being conducted currently by the Chudoff Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee held further executive consideration of pending legislation relating to authorization of Federal construction, operation, and maintenance in the Colorado River storage projects, and the participating projects. Bills before the subcommittee on this proposal are H. R. 270, 2836, 3383, 3384, and 4488. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Voted (16 to 15) to report favorably to the House H. R. 6645, to exempt independent producers and gatherers of natural gas from Federal Power Commission regulation. This measure is a clean bill, introduced by Representative Harris, and supersedes the amended version of his original bill, H. R. 4560. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems heard the following witnesses at today's session—George F. Mooney, New York, State superintendent of banks; Andrew J. Biemiller, legislative representative, AFL; and Robert R. Nathan, chairman, executive and finances committees, Americans for Democratic Action. Recessed until Friday morning.

TEXAS CITY DISASTER

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 resumed public hearings on H. R. 4045, providing for the settlement of claims for damages resulting from the disaster at Texas City, Tex., on April 16–17, 1947. Witnesses heard were Representatives Thompson of Texas, author of the bill; Morton Litfin, Claims Division, Justice Department; N. L. Leachman, attorney, Dallas, Tex.; Austin Bryan, attorney, Houston, Tex.; Russell H. Markwell, attorney, Galveston, Tex.; Vernon Elledge, Houston, Tex.; and W. Kendall Baker, attorney, Houston, Tex.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5253, amended, for the relief of the State of California. Also reported favorably on 2 private claim bills of the House and adversely on 3 others.

FEDERAL CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Began executive consideration of proposed increases for Federal classified employees. Took no final action and will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

NIAGARA REDEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Works: Began hearings on H. R. 5706, and similar pending bills, making use of the Federal share of Niagara River waters available for power purposes under the United States-Canadian Treaty of 1950. Witnesses heard today were Representatives Dondero and Davidson, authors of H. R. 420 and 5876, respectively, two of the proposals introduced on this subject; Col. William Whipple, Corps of Engineers; Willard W. Gatchell, General Counsel, Federal Power Commission; and William R. Vallance, Assistant to the Legal Adviser, State Department. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee resumed public hearings in connection with its study of benefits provided under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Witnesses heard today were Philip S. Hughes, Chief Budget Examiner, Veterans' Administration; Rear Adm. E. W. Grenfell, Bureau of Naval Personnel; Guy Birdsall, Veterans' Administration legislative counsel; Rear Adm. William W. Kenner, Office of Personnel, U. S. Coast Guard; Robert Johnson, Public Health Service; and Charles I. Schottland, Commissioner, Social Security Administration. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

CONTINENTAL DEFENSE PLANNING

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Military Applications Subcommittee met in executive session with Maj. Gen. Fred Smith, Deputy Commander, the Continental Air Defense Command, for discussion of continental defense planning.

The subcommittee will meet again Friday, June 10.

AGREEMENTS FOR COOPERATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation met in executive session with representatives of the AEC and State Department for a discussion of U. S. agreements for cooperation with Turkey, Brazil, and Colombia. Witnesses at today's session were AEC Commissioners Strauss, Murray, and Libby, and Philip Farley, Deputy to the Special Assistant Secretary for Atomic Energy Matters, State Department.

Thursday, June 9, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate Foreign Relations Committee approved miscellaneous bills, conventions, and nominations.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, June 10, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm price support program, hearing testimony today from Kenneth Kendrick, president, Stratford, Tex., Hubert Hughes, Imperial, Nebr., and Marion T. Weatherford, Arlington, Oreg., all of the National Association of Wheat Growers, who urged adoption of the domestic parity plan for wheat. Hearings continue June 16.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee, in executive session, completed the markup on H. R. 6042, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Defense Department, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee with amendments.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia, hearing testimony from numerous D. C. officials in behalf of funds for the following items: D. C. Public Schools, Public Library, Recreation Department, Metropolitan Police, Veterans' Service Center, Office of Civil Defense, Courts, Department of Public Health, Department of Corrections, Office of the Surveyor, Department of Licenses and Inspections, Department of Highways, Department of Vehicles and Traffic, Department of Sanitary Engineering, National Guard, National Zoological Park, Public Building Construction, and Washington Aqueduct.

Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from public witnesses.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—ATOMIC ENERGY DIVISION

Committee on Appropriations: Public Works Subcommittee (Atomic Energy Division) held executive hearings today, with testimony from Chairman Lewis L. Strauss, Commissioners Thomas E. Murray, Dr. W. F. Libby, and Dr. John von Neumann, and General Manager K. E. Fields, all of the Atomic Energy Commission. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

EXTENSION OF SELECTIVE SERVICE AND DOCTORS DRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee held hearings on H. R. 3005, selective service extension, and on doctors draft extension, hearing testimony today from the following witnesses: Dr. Claude Earnest, American Dental Association; a Mr. Van Buskirk (representing Dr. Walter B. Martin, president), and Dr. Reuben B. Chrisman, Jr., both of the American Medical Association; Dr. Henry S. Blake, National Medical Veterans Society; Brig. Gen. J. W. McCallam, American Veterinary Medical Association; George D. Riley, AFL; Dr. Donald Keyes, NAM; Col. C. M. Boyer, Reserve Officers Association; Howard A. Meyerhoff, Scientific Manpower Commission; M. M. Boring and W. T. Cavanaugh, both of Engineering Manpower Commission; Dr. W. L. Bendix, Virginia State veterinarian; Dr. Philip Powers, Chamber of Commerce of the U. S.; Maj. Gen. E. A. Walsh, National Guard Association; Dr. Joseph M. Babcock, American Optometric Association; Seaborn P. Collins, American Legion; Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau Federation; Pfc. William L. Bertelsen, M. D., Aurora, Colo.; Dr. Theodore Bisland, Dallas; Edward F. Snyder, Cornell University, representing Friends Committee on National Legislation; Dr. J. Huston Westover, Friends Medical Society; Maj. Clayton Wallace, National Temperance and Prohibition Council; Elizabeth A. Smart, National WCTU; J. Collins McSparran, Pennsylvania State Grange; Bryson Couvillon, United Christian Youth Movement; Mrs. Agnes Waters, Washington, D. C.; Rev. Oscar Stanke and Prof. J. G. Winans, University of Wisconsin, both representing Wisconsin Committee Against Peacetime Conscription; Mrs. Chandly Foreman, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; Roy Battles, National Grange; Robert S. Kreider, dean of Bluffton College, Ohio, and representing Mennonite Central Committee; John R. Holden, American Veterans of World War II; Rev. DeWitt L. Miller, Brethren Service Center; and James G. Patton, National Farmers Union.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PROXY CONTESTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Securities Subcommittee continued its hearings on the subject of proxy contests, and had as its witness today Robert R. Young, chairman of the board, New York Central Railroad. The witness made recommendations for amending the present laws and SEC regulations with regard to governing proxy contests. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

RENEGOTIATION

Committee on Finance: Committee met in executive session for the consideration of H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

BILLS, NOMINATIONS, AND CONVENTIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—H. R. 2984, authorizing construction, maintenance, and operation of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at Los Ebanos, Tex.; H. R. 4573, authorizing construction, maintenance, and operation of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at Rio Grande City, Tex.; S. 1287, to make certain increases in the annuities of annuitants under Foreign Service retirement and disability system; and S. Con. Res. 29, appointment of congressional delegation to attend the NATO parliamentary conference in Paris;

With amendments—S. J. Res. 12, authorizing and directing the International Joint Commission on U. S.-Canadian boundary waters to make a survey of the proposed Passamaquoddy tidal power project, and S. Res. 93, to create a Subcommittee on Disarmament of the Committee on Foreign Relations;

An original bill to strengthen the organization of the Department of State, and an original simple resolution to embody the provisions of S. Con. Res. 29 (title above);

The nomination of Edward J. Sparks, of New York, to be Ambassador to Guatemala, and 80 routine nominations in the Foreign Service; and

Four Geneva Conventions for the protection of war victims (Exec. D, E, F, and G, 82d Cong., 1st sess.) (Exec. D with a reservation to preserve the right of people to use the Red Cross emblem if they were using same before the year 1905).

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Continuing its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations heard testimony today from Harry Lev, president, Mid-City Uniform Co.; and Col. Louis H. Shirley and Eric C. Farnell, both formerly of the Army Quartermaster Depot at New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee concluded its hearings on miscellaneous bills amending the Natural Gas Act, hearing testimony, as follows:

On S. 2001, to amend the Natural Gas Act with regard to the regulation of industrial sales, with favoring testimony from Senator Kilgore; Rolla D. Campbell, general counsel, Island Creek Coal Co.; Ford K. Edwards, director of Bureau of Coal Economics, and Robert E. Lee Hall, general counsel, both of the National Coal Association; James D. Francis, of Huntington, W. Va.; and W. D. Johnson, vice president, Order of Railway Conductors and Brakemen; and testimony in opposition to this bill from J. A. McElwain, attorney, Montana Power Co.; and

On S. 712, to amend the Natural Gas Act regarding gas storage, and S. 1926, to amend the Natural Gas Act with respect to jurisdiction over sales of natural gas by independent producers, with testimony favoring these bills from Senator Douglas.

Committee announced that the record would remain open for 10 days for the inclusion of additional written statements.

ANTITRUST AND MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its hearings, with general testimony as to the effect of mergers on the economy of the country from Prof. Clare E. Griffin, University of Michigan; Prof. J. Fred Weston, University of California; and Dr. Jesse W. Markham, of Princeton University, Acting Director of the FTC Bureau of Economics. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee held hearings to receive testimony as to the effectiveness of security screening under the present Refugee Act. The witness today was Col. William Heimlich, a former Army intelligence officer in Europe, who advised strongly against relaxation of security requirements in the Refugee Act.

Subcommittee will hold hearings tomorrow to receive reports of subversive activities in the Pittsburgh area.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency continued its hearings on the influence of pornographic materials on juvenile delinquency, hearing testimony today from William C. O'Brien, Assistant Solicitor of the Fraud and Mailability Division, and Harry J. Simon, inspector, both of the Post Office Department, who discussed the difficulties in curbing the flow of pornographic materials through the mails; Roy Blick, inspector, Metropolitan Police Department; and Leslie Burgum, attorney general of North Dakota. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on the nomination of Sterry R. Waterman, of Vermont, to be U. S. circuit judge for the second circuit, with testimony in his behalf from Senators Flanders and Aiken, and on the nomination of Kenneth P. Grubb to be U. S. district judge for the eastern district of Wisconsin, with testimony in his behalf from Senator Wiley. The nominees appeared on their own behalf.

REFUGEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee To Investigate Problems Connected With Emigration and Refugees and Escapees continued its hearings on S. 1794 and S. 2113, both bills to amend the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. Witnesses heard today were Max Weipz, Association of Immigration and Nationality Lawyers; Rev. Basil Malof, Russian Bible Society; Countess Alexandra Tolstoy, of the Tolstoy Foundation; a Mr. Jarema, National Ukrainian Congress Committee; Steve Scopas, AHEPA; Mrs. Katherine Hanstein, American Friends Service; and Igor Bogolepov, a former Russian Army officer. Hearings continue June 14.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program had as its witness today former Solicitor General Philip B. Perlman, who urged the subcommittee to establish a loyalty and security program applicable to all agencies of the Federal Government. Mr. Perlman also stated that the establishment of a Commission on Government Security, as proposed in S. J. Res. 21, is not needed to investigate what this subcommittee is already charged with investigating. He urged retainment of both loyalty and security risk programs, the latter to deal with people in sensitive Government positions. Hearings continue June 14.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H. R. 6743–6752; 13 private bills, H. R. 6753–6765; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 338–340, H. Con. Res. 155 and 156, and H. Res. 267 and 268, were introduced. Page 7981

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Seven private bills, H. R. 1470, 2244, 2349, 2717, 4640, 4707, and 6184 (H. Repts. 738–744, respectively);

Conference report on H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements (H. Rept. 745); and

H. Res. 183, requesting the Secretary of State to take action to carry out certain recommendations of the Select Committee on Communist Aggression, contained in its report made at the close of the 83d Congress (H. Rept. 746). Pages 7980–7981

Amputees' Autos: H. R. 5089, to extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances, was cleared for Presidential action by concurrence of the House in Senate amendments thereto. Pages 7952–7953

Public Works Appropriations: The Committee on Appropriations was granted permission to file, by midnight Friday, a report on the public works appropriation bill for fiscal year 1956. Pages 7963–7964

Bank Holding Companies: Adopted H. Res. 265, providing for the consideration of, the restricting of amendments, and 4 hours of debate on, H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies. The bill will be considered on Monday next. Pages 7956–7961

Central Valley Reclamation: Adopted H. Res. 263, providing for the consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 4663, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws. This bill is tentatively scheduled for action on Thursday next. Pages 7961–7962

Order of Business: Dispensed with Calendar Wednesday business in order on June 15, pursuant to a unanimous-consent request. Page 7961

Bill Referred: S. 1290, to provide for the construction of certain Government buildings in the District of Columbia, was referred to the Committee on Public Works. Page 7980

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:01 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL LAND DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Agriculture: Concluded hearings on H. R. 161, 5088, and 6071, to authorize the sale of certain lands administered under title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act. Witnesses testifying were Edward Crafts, Assistant Chief of the U. S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, who spoke in support of H. R. 5088, an administration-requested bill, which would promote the agricultural development program under title III of the act by giving the Secretary of Agriculture the power to convey certain lands, with or without reimbursement, to be used for public purposes, youth organizations, etc., with reservations of mineral rights. Testimony was also received from the following witnesses, each of whom recommended amendents and changes in the present proposals—Representative Fernandez, of New Mexico; Stanley W. Vogt, National Farmers Union; and Matt Triggs, representing the American Farm Bureau Federation.

WATER CONSERVATION—CLEMSON COLLEGE

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Conservation and Credit held an afternoon public hearing on H. R. 6062, to permit the making of payments under the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act to farmers for water conservation and the beneficial use of water in individual farms, including the fencing of wetlands, level ditching, building of check dams and ponds, and other measures to prevent runoff, and providing facilities for applying water to land. Witnesses testifying in support of the proposed legislation were Representative Johnson of Wisconsin, author of the bill; Charles H. Callison, conservation director, National Wildlife Federation; and Stanley W. Vogt, of the National Farmers Union.

In an executive session that followed this hearing, the subcommittee ordered reported favorably to the full committee H. R. 4342, with amendments, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release, on behalf of the United States, conditions in two deeds conveying certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina. Took no final action on H. R. 6062, the water conservation bill.

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Heard testimony in connection with land-acquisition items at Fort Sill, Okla., which is contained in H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public

works) bill. Also met in afternoon session to continue executive reading of the entire measure. Recessed until tomorrow morning when open hearings are scheduled to consider proposed move of the Air Research and Development Command from Baltimore, Md., to Dayton, Ohio.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued public hearings on H. R. 5827 and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provisions and improvements in housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Witnesses heard today were Franklin G. Floete, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Properties and Installations; Ben Fischer, representing the CIO; and Clarence Mitchell, of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Hearings will be resumed tomorrow morning when Members of Congress are scheduled to testify.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Teague (Texas) subcommittee resumed public hearings on H. R. 5119, to authorize the District of Columbia Government to establish an Office of Civil Defense. D. C. Commissioner Samuel Spencer and John E. Fondahl, Director of the D. C. Office of Civil Defense, testified on the proposed legislation, along with other officials of the District Government, and the coordinators of civil defense for the States of Maryland and Virginia. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: William Schnitzler, secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of Labor, urged enactment of legislation today increasing the national hourly minimum wage standard from 75 cents to $1.25. He is scheduled to return at tomorrow morning's session for further testimony regarding his proposal.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, Supreme Commander, Allied Powers, Europe, testified in executive session today on the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. In an afternoon executive meeting on the same subject, the committee heard William J. Sebald, Deputy Assistant Director, Far Eastern Affairs, Department of State; and Dr. Raymond T. Moyer, Regional Director, Office of Far Eastern Operations, Foreign Operations Administration. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will hear executive testimony from H. Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs.

SURPLUS PROPERTY DISPOSAL

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Military Operations heard officials of the General Services Administration today on the subject of surplus property disposal. Witnesses heard John Thomas, Director, and Louis Tuttle, Deputy Director, Personal Property Disposal and Utilization (Federal Supply Service), who discussed screening processes for utilization of excess property within the Government before it becomes surplus.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee continued executive consideration of pending legislation relating to authorization of Federal construction, operation, and maintenance in the Colorado River storage projects, and the participating projects. Bills before the subcommittee on this proposal are H. R. 270, 2836, 3384, and 4488. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS—COPYRIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered favorably reported to the House 42 private immigration bills (16 of the House and 26 of the Senate); and 11 private claim bills of the House. Also tabled 10 private immigration bills (8 of the House and 2 of the Senate); and 5 private claim bills of the House.

In the same executive session, the committee heard Arthur Fisher, Register of Copyrights, who discussed, informally, the operations of the Federal Copyright Office.

FEDERAL CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continued executive consideration of proposed increases for Federal classified employees. Took no final action, and recessed on the subject till next Tuesday morning.

NIAGARA POWER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearings on H. R. 5706, and similar pending bills, making use of the Federal share of Niagara River waters available for power purposes under the United States-Canadian Treaty of 1950. Witnesses testifying today were Representatives Radwan and Miller of New York, authors of H. R. 5377 and H. R. 142, respectively, two of the proposals introduced on this subject; Robert Moses, chairman, New York State Power Authority; Earl J. Machold, president, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp., Syracuse, N. Y.; Robert W. MacGregor, vice president, New York State Association of Electrical Workers (AFL); and C. L. Weaver, Columbus, Ohio, U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Recessed until tomorrow morning, when Senator Lehman, of New York, is scheduled to be the first of 12 listed witnesses.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee continued hearings in connection with proposed legislation to provide benefits under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Testimony was received today from Charles E. Lofgren, Fleet Reserve Association; Capt. Franz O. Willenbucher, representing the Retired Officers Association; Adin M. Downer, of the VFW; and Omer W. Clark, of the DAV. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Authorizing Legislation continued in executive session to mark up a draft bill authorizing the Atomic Energy Commission's construction program, but did not complete its work and will meet again on Monday, June 13.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Joint Committee on Defense Production: Committee held hearings to receive testimony from officials of the Department of Interior on mobilization activities to date under the Defense Production Act, including metals and minerals, exploration, electric power, petroleum and gas, and solid fuels. Witnesses heard today were John G. Liebert, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Minerals Resources; Edward Frye, Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Water and Power Development; and Arthur Vieregg, Office of the Secretary, who were accompanied by other departmental witnesses. Committee recessed subject to call.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate committee reported Commerce Department appropriation bill.

Bill extending emergency feed-loan authorizations approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 7991–8008

Bills Introduced: 21 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2183–S. 2203; S. J. Res. 76–77 and S. Res. 107. **Pages 7993–7994, 7999**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1894, to provide for the participation of the U. S. in the International Finance Corporation, with amendments (S. Rept. 505);

S. J. Res. 12, authorizing and directing the International Joint Commission on U. S.-Canadian boundary waters to make a survey of the proposed Passamaquoddy tidal power project, with amendments (S. Rept. 506);

S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service, with amendments (S. Rept. 507);

S. 1177, for the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating water for reclamation (S. Rept. 508);

S. 2074, to extend for 5 years the provisions of act to promote development of improved transport aircraft (S. Rept. 509);

S. 1378, to clarify authority to require establishment, maintenance, and operation of aids to navigation on fixed structures in or over navigable waters of U. S., with amendment (S. Rept. 510);

S. 598, to provide for adjustments in lands acquired for Albeni Falls Reservoir, Idaho (S. Rept. 511);

H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department, with amendments (S. Rept. 512); and

H. R. 4659, to correct inequities in pay schedules of dispatchers in the post-office motor-vehicle service (S. Rept. 513). **Pages 7992–7993**

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 7990**

President's Communication: Communication from President transmitting proposed supplemental appropriations for the D. C. for fiscal 1956 in the amount of $88,320 was received, referred to Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 50. **Page 7991**

Authority to Report: Committees on Appropriations, Post Office and Civil Service, and Foreign Relations were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. **Pages 7990–7991**

Private Bills: S. 1397, authorizing conveyance of lands on the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation to St. Mary's Mission, was temporarily put aside and Senate took up and passed without amendment, clearing for President, H. R. 5907, a private bill.

Senate insisted on its amendments to H. R. 1142, a private bill, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Kilgore, Eastland, and Wiley. **Pages 8006, 8008**

Confirmations: 249 Coast Guard, 15 Coast and Geodetic Survey, and 35 postmaster nominations were confirmed. Page 8015

Nominations: 157 civilian (including 39 in the Diplomatic Service), 1 Army, 1 Air Force, and 1922 Navy nominations were received, and 3 postmaster nominations were withdrawn. Pages 8009–8015

Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:58 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, completed the markup on H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the Senate with amendments. As approved, the bill would provide total funds of $1,314,617,300, an increase of $190,932,300 over the House-passed figure of $1,123,685,000.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee concluded its hearings on H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia, hearing testimony from numerous public witnesses on various sections of the bill.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works concluded its hearings on 1956 budget estimates for civil functions items, hearing testimony in behalf of funds for the Little Sioux River flood-control project, Iowa, from Senators Martin (Iowa) and Hickenlooper, and on miscellaneous unbudgeted items from Brig. Gen. E. C. Itschner, Col. John U. Allen, Col. William Whipple, and Col. Alfred D. Starbird, all of the Corps of Engineers, Army.

EXTENSION OF SELECTIVE SERVICE AND DOCTORS DRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 3005, selective service extension, and on doctors draft extension, hearing testimony today from Senator Bennett; Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Personnel); Dr. Frank B. Berry, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health and Medical; Maj. Gen. George E. Armstrong, Surgeon General of the Army; Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director of Selective Service; and Thruston B. Morton, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations.

Committee will meet in executive session on Monday, June 13, to consider this proposed legislation.

BANKS AND INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 972, to provide for regulation of branches established by Federal savings and loan associations, and with amendments S. 1894, to provide for the participation of the U. S. in the International Finance Corporation.

AUSTRIAN STATE TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings on the Austrian State Treaty (Exec. G, 84th Cong., 1st sess.), where testimony in support of its ratification was heard from Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its series of hearings on certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, hearing further testimony from Harry Lev, president, Mid-City Uniform Co. Subcommittee also heard testimony from Henry B. Vining, of San Patricio, and W. J. Meise, both of Puerto Rico. Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTITRUST AND MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its hearings, with testimony today on mergers from George W. Romney, president, American Motors. Hearings continue Tuesday, June 14.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee held hearings to receive reports of subversive activities in the Pittsburgh area. Witnesses heard at today's session were Joseph D. Mazzey and Mary Elizabeth Mazzey, of Millville, Pa.; Matt Svetic, a lecturer and writer of Pittsburgh; Flavian Stazer, an employee of Allis-Chalmers Co., Pittsburgh; a Mr. Sappo, McKees Rocks, Pa.; Michael Musmanno, associate justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; and Andrew Gurchak, an assistant hotel manager of Pittsburgh. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 13, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

CLEMSON COLLEGE—FEED LOANS—FARM CREDIT

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4280, amended, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release on behalf of the United States conditions in two deeds conveying certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina;

H. R. 4915, to extend for an additional 2 years the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen;

H. R. 5822, amended, to extend until June 30, 1957 (now June 30, 1955), the period for making loans in emergencies to farmers and stockmen for agricultural purposes; and

H. R. 5168, amended, to provide for the retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration, and increases borrower participation in the management and control of the Federal Farm Credit System.

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: In open hearing today on H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill, the committee received testimony regarding a proposed transfer (from Baltimore, Md., to Dayton, Ohio) of the Air Research and Development Command. Lt. Gen. Thomas Power, commander of the ARDC, and Representative Schenck, favored the move. Speaking in opposition to the ARDC transfer, the following Members of Congress from Maryland testified—Representatives Friedel, Fallon, Devereux, and Hyde. Recessed until Monday on the bill when it will take up pending Air Force items.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Received testimony from the following Members of Congress at today's hearings on H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to the provisions and improvements in housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities—Representatives Baldwin, Westland, Bennett of Florida, Lovre, O'Hara of Illinois, Jones of Alabama, and Miller of California. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Heard representatives of organized labor today, who requested enactment of legislation to increase the national minimum hourly wage standards from 75 cents to $1.25. Those testifying were William Schnitzler, secretary-treasurer of the American Federation of Labor; Robert Oliver, assistant to the president, CIO; Solomon Barkin, chairman of the CIO's committee on fair labor standards; and Gladys Dickinson, vice president, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America (CIO). Recessed until Monday morning.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: H. Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, spoke in executive session today in connection with the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. Other witnesses at this session were Brig. Gen. James K. Wilson, Director, Office of Military Assistance, Department of Defense; and Norman S. Paul, Deputy Director for Congressional Relations, Foreign Operations Administration. Recessed until Monday morning.

SURPLUS DISPOSAL

Committee on Government Operations: The Holifield Subcommittee on Military Operations heard officials of the Material Redistribution Division today in connection with its study of surplus disposal. Commander Robert Tobias, U. S. Navy, discussed the Defense Department's utilization of surplus property. Subcommittee recessed until next Tuesday when departmental witnesses are again scheduled to testify.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee held further executive consideration of pending legislation relating to authorization of Federal construction, operation, and maintenance in the Colorado River storage projects, and the participating projects. Bills before the subcommittee on this proposal are H. R. 270, 2836, 3384, and 4488. Adjourned until Monday morning.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT—COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Announced that the Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications will conduct hearings, on the following subjects—

H. R. 4744, and similar bills, to remove the limitation now placed upon the amount of annuity payable to spouses of individuals under the Railroad Retirement Act and makes the amount equal to the maximum amount which could be paid to such person under section 202 (b) of the Social Security Act (Thursday, June 16); and

H. R. 5614, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require that protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing show that the grant was improperly made or would otherwise not be in the public interest (Wednesday, June 22).

Also that the Subcommittee on Health and Science would meet on H. R. 4743, Medical-Educational Facilities Construction Act (June 16 and 17).

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems received further testimony today from Prof. S. Chesterfield Oppenheim, University of Michigan Law School. Recessed until Monday morning.

NIAGARA POWER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Works: Concluded hearings on bills relating to Niagara power development, as fol-

lows—H. R. 142 and 420, to provide for development by private enterprise and without recourse to public funds; H. R. 5377, to provide for immediate construction of improvement works necessary for power purposes, with disposition of power to be determined later; H. R. 5706, to provide for development of power with licensee to be designated under provisions of Federal Power Act; H. R. 5706, to provide for development of power with licensee to be designated under provisions of Federal Power Act; and H. R. 5878, to provide for development of power by New York State Power Authority.

Senator Lehman, of New York, was the first witness at today's session, followed by Charles C. Fichtner, executive vice president, Buffalo (N. Y.) Chamber of Commerce; Andrew J. McMahon, president, Utility Workers Union, CIO; Alex Radin, American Public Power Association; Luke Sharon, Arcade, N. Y., Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State; Clyde Ellis and Charles Robinson, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; Robert R. Balmer, of the Dupont Co., vice chairman, committee on conservation of renewable natural resources, National Association of Manufacturers; Don J. Wickham, president, New York Farm Bureau Federation; Leland D. Smith, master, New York State Grange; James E. Finke, director of research, Citizens Public Expenditure Survey, Inc.; Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; and Mariano Lucca, editor, Buffalo (N. Y.) Beacon. Recessed subject to call of the Chair. (Announced that meeting would be called next week in order to hear ex-Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, of New York.)

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee held further hearings in connection with proposed legislation to provide benefits under Federal law for the surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Witnesses testifying today were H. G. Doyle, Naval Reserve Association; Lt. G. D. Tilghman, Disabled Officers' Association; John Holden, AMVETS; Col. J. M. Chambers, Reserve Officers' Association; Lou Grayson, National Association of Life Underwriters; and Miles Kennedy, legislative director, accompanied by other officials of the American Legion, as follows: T. O. Kraubel, Charles W. Stevens, John J. Corcoran, and John Mears. Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

BRIEFING ON NATO MATTERS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Military Applications met in executive session to receive a briefing on NATO matters from Gen. Alfred M. Gruenther, Supreme Commander, Allied Powers, Europe.

SCHEDULE OF SUBCOMMITTEE HEARINGS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Committee met in executive session, after which it announced the following schedule for subcommittee hearings:

(1) Subcommittee on Economic Stabilization—on automation—during October 17–28;

(2) Subcommittee on Economic Statistics—on unemployment and unemployment statistics—November 7 and 8;

(3) Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy—on November 10–17;

(4) Subcommittee on low-income families—on November 18–23; and

(5) Subcommittee on Tax Policy—on December 5–16.

The committee also discussed, at today's meeting, rules and procedures for committee operation.

Monday, June 13, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

House debated bill regulating bank holding companies.

Senate Armed Services Committee tentatively approved bill extending Selective Service and Doctors Draft.

House committee approved miscellaneous items in military public works bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 14, at 12 noon.

Committee Meetings

FARMER COMMITTEEMEN

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee began hearings on S. 544, to amend the Soil Conserva-

tion and Domestic Allotment Act, to provide for administration of farm programs by democratically elected farmer committeemen, hearing testimony in favor of the bill from M. L. Wilson, of Chevy Chase, Md.; Norris E. Dodd, of Phoenix, Ariz.; and Clyde A. Zehner, Harrisburg, Pa. Testimony in opposition to this proposed legislation was heard from Earl M. Hughes, Administrator, H. Laurence Manwaring, Deputy Administrator for Production Adjustment, and Charles M. Cox, assistant to Deputy Administrator for Production Adjustment, all of the Commodity Stabilization Service, Agriculture Department. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—TVA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works, atomic energy-TVA division, heard testimony in behalf of funds for the TVA from Gen. Herbert D. Vogel, Chairman, Board of Directors, Dr. Harry A. Curtis and Dr. R. R. Paty, both Directors, A. J. Wagner, General Manager, G. O. Wessenauer, Manager of Power, Joseph C. Swidler, General Counsel, and Charles H. Young, Manager of Chemical Engineering, all of the Tennessee Valley Authority. Hearings continue Friday, June 17.

EXTENSION OF SELECTIVE SERVICE AND DOCTORS DRAFT

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, tentatively ordered favorably reported with amendments (pending final approval of new draft language) H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years. As approved by the committee, the bill would also extend the Doctors' Draft Act for 2 years.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction continued its hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, hearing testimony today on the proposed transfer of Air Research and Development Command from Baltimore to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, from Senator Butler, Secretary of Air Force Harold Talbott, Assistant Secretary of Air Force Trevor Gardner, and Lt. Gen. Thomas S. Power. Subcommittee also received testimony from numerous public witnesses on miscellaneous provisions of the bill.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. BILLS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs held and concluded hearings on the following bills:

On S. 1739, to authorize D. C. Commissioners to fix rates of compensation of members of certain examining and licensing boards and commissions, with favoring testimony from Irving Bryan, Assistant Corporation Counsel, D. C., and Robert F. Cogswell, Director, Department of Occupations and Professions, D. C.;

On S. 1741, to exempt from taxation certain property of the Jewish War Veterans in the D. C., with favoring testimony from Bernard Weitzer, national legislative director, Jewish War Veterans, and opposing testimony from Henry E. Wixon, Assistant Corporation Counsel, D. C., and Sterling Hall, Assistant Assessor, D. C.; and

On H. R. 2406, to exempt from taxation property transferred to the U. S. or D. C. for public or municipal purpose, with favoring testimony from Representative Hyde; William T. Hannan, Washington Heart Association; Rev. Robert Van Deusen, National Lutheran Council; Bowdoin G. Craighill, the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral Foundation and the Episcopal Diocese of Washington; William B. Jones, the Catholic Archdiocese of Washington; and Lloyd Fletcher, Methodist Home and Masonic and Eastern Star Home; and opposing testimony from Henry E. Wixon, and William R. Mason, Office of the Assessor, D. C.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: On Saturday, June 11, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings with regard to certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency, with further testimony from Harry Lev, president, Mid-City Uniform Co. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS AND PRIVATE BILLS APPROVED

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nominations of Edward G. Minor to be U. S. attorney for eastern district of Wisconsin, and Kenneth P. Grubb to be U. S. district judge for eastern district of Wisconsin; and 17 private immigration bills (S. 80, 176, 186, 561, 562, 606, 664, 1155, 1730, 1884, H. R. 1062, 1081, 1085, 1086, 1108, 1165, and 1664), and 1 private claim bill (H. R. 947).

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on S. Con. Res. 5, providing for annual address to Congress by the Chief Justice of the U. S. on the state of the judiciary, S. 1402, authorizing mileage allowance of 10 cents per mile to U. S. marshals, and 19 private immigration bills (S. 295, 305, 328, 344, 431, 620, 675, 823, 939, 1100, 1195, 1342, 1510, 1564, 1801, 1869, 1935, H. R. 1156, and 1330).

Committee also agreed to request the Senate that S. 1886, retrocession of jurisdiction over Ellis Island and conveyance of all interest of the U. S. in such island to State of New York, be discharged from its further consideration and that the bill be rereferred to Committee on Government Operations.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: On Saturday, June 11, Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings on certain subversive activities in the Pittsburgh area, with testimony from Michael Musmanno, associate justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; Frank Shenkel, Pittsburgh; Fred S. Wertenbach, of north Pittsburgh; James A. Wright, accompanied by Edward F. Kelly, both of Pittsburgh; Robert D. Baird; and John J. Mullen, chairman of political affairs committee, United Steel Workers of America, CIO.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

With amendments S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act (one amendment would authorize appropriation of $2 million annually for 5 years); and S. 1550, authorizing Maine State Highway Commission to construct and operate a free highway bridge across the St. Croix River between Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada;

With an amendment H. R. 5923, to authorize appropriations for completing construction of the Inter-American Highway (amended by inserting text of S. 1981, a related bill); and

Without amendment H. R. 208, Arkansas River compact between Arkansas and Oklahoma; H. R. 3878, to amend the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood-control work; and H. R. 4426, to amend the act of 1922 relating to installation of telephones in certain private residences for Federal use.

Prior to approval of H. R. 5923, open hearings were held thereon, where testimony was heard from C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner of Public Roads, James Allen and Frank C. Turner, both of Bureau of Public Roads, all of Commerce Department, and Henry F. Holland, Assistant Secretary for Inter-American Affairs, Department of State.

ELECTIONS AND VOTING

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Privileges and Elections, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 636, to revise the Federal election laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections, and without amendment H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H. R. 6766–6786; 8 private bills, H. R. 6787–6794; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 157 and 158, were introduced.

Pages 8063–8064

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 6766, public works appropriation bill for fiscal year ending June 30, 1956, filed on June 10 (H. Rept. 747);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Rept. 748);

H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights (H. Rept. 749);

H. R. 4001, providing for the management and disposition of certain public domain lands in the State of Oklahoma, amended (H. Rept. 750);

H. R. 4747, to provide that reversionary interests of the United States in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Okla., shall be quitclaimed to such city (H. Rept. 751);

Thirty-three private bills, S. 29, 120, 130, 131, 195, 243, 375, 412, 432, 471, 574, 587, 604, 640, 644, 650, 676, 735, 892, 1197, S. Con. Res. 33, H. R. 1301, 1302, 1927, 2059, 2313, 2315, 2749, 2755, 2947, 3507, 3624, and 4284 (H. Repts. 752–784, respectively); and

H. R. 4915, to extend for 2 years the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen (H. Rept. 785). Pages 8062–8063

Bank Holding: Concluded general debate and read the first section of H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies, before deferring further action on the bill until Tuesday. Pages 8020–8051

Bill Referred: S. 2126, the Housing Act of 1955, was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency. Page 8061

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:44 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Took the following actions during today's consideration of H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill—

Approved item relating to Fort Sill, Okla.; reinserted the item pertaining to Traverse City, Mich.; approved

the proposed transfer of the Air Research and Development Command from Baltimore, Md., to Dayton, Ohio, along with miscellaneous minor amendments to the Air Force section of the bill; reinserted hospital construction item at Lincoln Air Force Base, Nebr.; added additional $2,732,000 authorization for Charleston Air Force Base, S. C.; deleted a previously inserted item relating to enlargement of Bancroft Hall, U. S. Naval Academy; approved addition of a new title to the measure providing housing for the Joint Chiefs of Staff and assistants; and approved item authorizing $56,000,000 for construction of new building for the Central Intelligence Agency. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Harris Subcommittee on the Judiciary today considered H. R. 6258, to establish a Domestic Relations Branch in the D. C. Municipal Court. One witness, J. M. Boardman, a D. C. attorney, opposed the proposal. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in open and executive sessions on the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954 with Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff. In an afternoon executive session the following witnesses spoke on the same subject—Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs; John D. Jernegan, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian, and African Affairs; and Cedric Seager, Acting Regional Director, Office of Near East, South Asia, and Africa Operations, Foreign Operations Administration. Recessed until tomorrow morning when other State Department and FOA officials are scheduled as witnesses.

PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARIES

Committee on Government Operations: A special subcommittee today considered pending resolutions providing for the acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries (H. J. Res. 330, 331, and 332). Testimony was received from Representative Rees of Kansas (author of H. J. Res. 332); James N. Milne, administrative assistant to Representative Martin, of Massachusetts (author of H. J. Res. 331); Edmund F. Mansure, General Services Administrator; Wayne C. Grover, Archivist of the United States; Robert F. Keller, assistant to the Comptroller General, GAO; and David D. Lloyd, of the Harry Truman Library, Independence, Mo.

BRANCATO DEPORTATION CASE

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs met in open session today to consider further the deportation case of Francesco Brancato, of Cleveland, Ohio. The following officials of the Immigration and Naturalization Service testified—Gen. J. M. Swing, Commissioner; Raymond T. Farrell, Assistant Commissioner for Investigations; Herman Branse, Service representative of the Bureau of Immigration Appeals; and Allan Devany, Assistant Comissioner for Examinations.

Recessed until next Monday, June 20, when Mr. Brancato is scheduled to appear as a witness.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee resumed executive consideration of pending legislation relating to authorization of Federal construction, operation, and maintenance in the Colorado River storage projects, and the participating projects. Bills before the subcommittee on this proposal are H. R. 270, 2836, and 4488. Adjourned until tomorrow morning.

INVENTIONS, AWARDS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 concluded hearings on H. R. 639, to authorize the establishment of an Inventions Awards Board within the Department of Defense; and H. R. 2383, to authorize the establishment of an Inventive Contributions Awards Board within the Department of Defense. Witnesses heard on the proposals were Representative Crumpacker, author of H. R. 2383; and James Rankin Tod, patent adviser, British Joint Services Mission.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems resumed public hearings today, receiving testimony from the following—William McC. Martin, Jr., Chairman, and J. L. Robertson, member, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System; H. Earl Cook, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and Arthur J. Goldberg, general counsel, CIO. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met executively on H. R. 6040, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the customs laws. Took no action and recessed on the proposal until Wednesday morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the Senate and House original bills authorizing funds for the Atomic Energy Commission's construction program.

Committee also ordered favorably reported S. 609, Atomic Weapons Reward Act of 1955.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 90 bills on call of calendar.

House adopted conference report on reciprocal trade agreements extension and passed bill regulating bank holding companies.

Senate committee reported bill on Defense Department appropriations.

Federal classified employee pay increase (7.5 percent) and military public works construction bill approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8076–8102

Bills Introduced: 34 bills and 8 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2204–S. 2237; S. J. Res. 78; S. Con. Res. 37 and 38; and S. Res. 108–112.

Pages 8081–8082, 8096–8097

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 2984 and 4573, private bills—reported during adjournment on June 11, 1955, under prior authority (S. Repts. 514 and 515);

S. 912, relating to a uniform retirement date for authorized retirements of Federal personnel, with amendment (S. Rept. 516);

S. 1292, to readjust postal classification on educational and cultural materials, with amendments (S. Rept. 517);

S. 972, to provide for regulation of branches established by Federal savings and loan associations—with minority views (S. Rept. 518);

S. 80, 176, 186, 561, 562, 1884, H. R. 1062, 1081, 1086, 1108, 1165, 1664, S. 664, 1155, 1730, H. R. 947, 1085, S. 606, H. R. 4853, private bills (S. Repts. 519–537, respectively);

S. 2220, to authorize appropriation for Atomic Energy Commission for acquisition or condemnation of real property or any facilities, or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion (S. Rept. 538);

H. R. 208, Arkansas River compact between Arkansas and Oklahoma (S. Rept. 539);

H. R. 3878, to amend the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood-control work (S. Rept. 540);

H. R. 4426, to amend the act of 1922 relating to installation of telephones in certain private residences for Federal use (S. Rept. 541);

H. R. 5923, to authorize appropriations for completing construction of the Inter-American Highway, with amendment (S. Rept. 542);

S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act, with amendments (S. Rept. 543);

S. 1550, authorizing Maine State Highway Commission to construct and operate a free highway bridge across the St. Croix River between Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada, with amendments (S. Rept. 544);

H. R. 6042, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Defense Department, with amendments (S. Rept. 545);

S. 2237, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department (S. Rept. 546);

S. Res. 93, appointing a subcommittee to work toward the goal of world disarmament (S. Rept. 547);

S. Res. 112, to appoint Members of Senate to attend NATO Conference in Paris in 1955, and S. Con. Res. 29, authorizing appointment of congressional delegation to attend NATO Parliamentary Conference (S. Rept. 548); and

H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years and to extend the Doctors Draft Act for 2 years, with amendments (S. Rept. 549). Pages 8075, 8080–8081

Bill Rereferred: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1886, retrocession of jurisdiction over Ellis Island and conveyance of all interest of the U. S. in such island to State of New York, and it was rereferred to Committee on Government Operations. Page 8097

Tobacco: Senate adopted S. Con. Res. 37, requesting President to return to Senate S. J. Res. 60 (directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls) and providing, upon such return, for reenrollment of the resolution to correct the date of July 1, 1955, to November 1, 1955. Page 8095

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 90 bills, of which 78 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

California land: H. R. 4359, conveyance of certain real property to the city of Richmond, Calif.;

Coast and Geodetic: H. R. 5398, to increase the efficiency of the Coast and Geodetic Survey;

Postal employees: H. R. 4659, to correct inequities in pay schedules of dispatchers in the post office motor-vehicle service;

Private bills: 10 private bills: H. R. 3020, 1656, 1487, 970, 891, 1002, 1974, 2236, 1401, and 5146.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Private bills: 23 private bills: H. R. 1660, 5196, 5078, 903, 1003, 1202, 1400, 1409, 1640, 1692, 1747, 2456, 2529, 2760, 2907, 3281, 3958, 4249, 4714, 1069, 1416, 1643, and 3045;

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Montana land: S. 1878, to extend for 5 years the authority for conveyance of certain lands to Miles City, Mont.;

Vessel tonnage: S. 1790, to amend Revised Statutes to authorize more liberal propelling power allowances in computing the net tonnages of certain vessels;

Reclamation: S. 1177, for the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating water for reclamation;

Aircraft: S. 2074, to extend for 5 years the provisions of act to promote development of improved transport aircraft;

Albeni Falls: S. 598, to provide for adjustments in lands acquired for Albeni Falls Reservoir, Idaho;

Private bills: 39 private bills: S. 85, 86, 101, 117, 137, 142, 160, 161, 174, 177, 181, 190, 197, 198, 214, 254, 324, 325, 340, 345, 354, 360, 367, 368, 369, 387, 388, 389, 396, 470, 498, 1867, 38, 47, 92, 135, 187, 1020, and 1033;

With amendment and cleared for House:

Turtle Mountain: S. 1397, authorizing conveyance of lands on the Turtle Mountain Indian Reservation to St. Mary's Mission;

Motorboat lights: S. 1791, relating to the lights required to be carried by motorboats;

Passamaquoddy project: S. J. Res. 12, authorizing and directing the International Joint Commission on U. S.-Canadian boundary waters to make a survey of the proposed Passamaquoddy tidal power project;

Navigational aids: S. 1378, to clarify authority to require establishment, maintenance, and operation of aids to navigation on fixed structures in or over navigable waters of U. S.;

Private bills: Six private bills: S. 541, 477, 346, 326, 284, and 111.

Bill postponed: S. 287. Pages 8104–8115

Commerce Appropriations: Senate debated H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department, but took no actions thereon.

Pages 8114–8139, 8143–8146

Confirmations: The nominations of Edward J. Sparks, of New York, to be Ambassador to Guatemala, and of James W. Jones, of Texas, to be a member of the U. S. Tariff Commission, were confirmed along with numerous diplomatic and Foreign Service appointments.

Pages 8154–8155

Nominations: The nomination of Gordon Gray, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, was received, as well as one Army nomination.

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Recess: Recessed at 4:43 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARMER COMMITTEEMEN

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 544, to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, to provide for administration of farm programs by democratically elected farmer committeemen, hearing testimony favoring the bill from Norris E. Dodd, of Phoenix, Ariz.; John B. Vance, president, Virginia Farmers Union, and representing the National Farmers Union; and John A. Baker, assistant to president, National Farmers Union. Testimony in opposition to this proposed legislation was heard from Richard B. Bridgforth, Assistant Deputy Administrator for Production Stabilization, and Charles M. Cox, assistant to Deputy Administrator for Production Adjustment, both of the Commodity Stabilization Service, and Howard J. Doggett, assistant to Assistant Secretary for Agricultural Stabilization, all of the Agriculture Department. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the Senate with amendments H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956. As approved, the bill would provide total funds of $31,836,521,336, an increase of $348,315,336 over the House-passed figure of $31,488,206,000.

APPROPRIATIONS—GENERAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments H. R. 6499, general Government matters appropriation bill for fiscal 1956.

Prior to this action, hearings were held, with testimony from the following witnesses: Rowland R. Hughes, Director, Bureau of the Budget; Nelson A. Rockefeller, President's Advisory Committee on Government Organization; George D. Riley, AFL; J. B. Hanson, Director, Motor Equipment, L. L. Dunkle, Jr., Deputy Director, Purchases, and P. C. Jumonville, Chief, Estimates and Analysis, all of GSA; and Whitney Gillilland, Chairman, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction concluded open hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, hearing testimony today, as follows:

Senator Kuchel and Representative Baldwin, and others, regarding Navy land acquisition at Port Chicago, Calif., and Army acquisition for ammunition outloading facility in California;

Senator Kerr, and others, regarding land acquisition at Fort Sill, Okla.; and

Dan R. Ponder and Hub Hill, both of Texas, who testified regarding Wherry housing projects.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

(1) The nomination of John B. Hollister to be Director of International Cooperation Administration;

(2) Treaty for the Reestablishment of an Independent and Democratic Austria (Austrian State Treaty) (Exec. G, 84th Cong., 1st sess.);

(3) Without amendment H. R. 5841, to repeal the fee stamp requirement in the Foreign Service and amend section 1728 of the Revised Statutes; H. R. 5842, to repeal service charge for authenticating copies of records in State Department; and H. R. 5860, authorizing certain officers and employees of the Department of State and Foreign Service to carry firearms; and

(4) 39 routine nominations in the Foreign Service.

FOREIGN CARRIER PERMITS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held hearings with regard to present policies in issuing of air carrier permits to foreign airlines, hearing testimony from Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, and Ross Rizley, Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board, who submitted testimony as to the negotiation of a bilateral air transport service agreement between the U. S. and the Republic of Germany. The witnesses requested an opportunity to submit further testimony in executive session.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTITRUST AND MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its hearings on the general subject of mergers, having as its witnesses George McCuskey, vice president, Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., and Arthur Homer, president, Bethlehem Steel Corp. Hearings continue tomorrow.

REFUGEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee To Investigate Problems Connected With Emigration of Refugees and Escapees continued its hearings on S. 1794 and S. 2113, both bills to amend the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. Witnesses heard were Senator Humphrey; Edward J. Corsi, formerly Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Refugees and Migration Problems; Dr. Paul C. Empie, National Lutheran Council; Sidney Hollander and George W. Williams, both of Baltimore; Mrs. Ernest W. Howard, of Washington, D. C.; Mrs. William D. Leetch, representing the American Coalition; and Mrs. Leslie Frost, Silver Spring, Md. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SALK ANTIPOLIO VACCINE PROGRAM

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee held hearings on S. 1984 and S. 2147, bills to authorize Federal grants to States to assist in administration of Salk polio vaccine program. Testifying in favor of S. 1984 and in opposition to S. 2147 were HEW Secretary Oveta Culp Hobby, accompanied by Assistant Secretaries Roswell B. Perkins and Dr. Bradshaw Mintener, General Counsel Park M. Banta, Surgeon General Dr. Leonard A. Scheele, and Jack C. Haldeman, Chief, Division of General Health Services, Bureau of State Services, PHS.

The committee also heard testimony from Dr. R. H. Hutcheson, chairman, Committee on Federal Relations, Association of State and Territorial Health Officers, who presented the general views of his association regarding the distribution of the Salk vaccine, and speaking on his own behalf as public health officer of the State of Tennessee, expressed preference for S. 2147.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 59, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to make April 1, 1948, the effective date for survivorship benefits to widowers as have been provided for widows, S. 63, providing for appointment of heads of regional and district offices of the Post Office Department by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointment; and the committee approved 29 postmaster nominations.

The committee also announced that hearings will be held on Monday, June 20, before a subcommittee headed by Senator Scott, on S. 1404, to provide bonds for Post Office employees, and on S. 655, to reimburse postmasters of discontinued post offices for equipment.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program had as its witness Clarence E. Clarke, investigator (general), Small Business Administration, who testified with regard to the operations of the security program of the SBA. Hearings continue Friday, June 17.

SUBCOMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following:

Lease purchase projects at St. Paul, Minn. (post office and customhouse), Huntington, W. Va. (Federal office

building), Kansas City, Kans. (post office and courthouse), Abingdon, Va. (post office and courthouse), Jamestown, N. Y. (post office and courthouse), and Kingsport, Tenn. (post office and Government offices); and

Without amendment H. R. 6410, authorizing construction of building for Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution.

Prior to approval of H. R. 6410, subcommittee held hearings thereon, with favoring testimony from J. L. Keddy, Assistant Secretary of Smithsonian Institution.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 27 public bills, H. R. 6795–6821; 7 private bills, H. R. 6822–6828; and 11 resolutions, H. J. Res. 341–343, H. Con. Res. 159–161, and H. Res. 269–273, were introduced. Pages 8194, 8207–8208

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 183, requesting the Secretary of State to take action to carry out certain recommendations of the Select Committee on Communist Aggression, contained in its report made at the close of the 83d Congress (pt. II of H. Rept. 746);

H. R. 4664, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber-access roads (H. Rept. 786);

H. R. 6795, to authorize appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission (H. Rept. 787);

Twenty private bills, S. 26, 36, 244, 633, 758, H. R. 1179, 1304, 2240, 2241, 2242, 2259, 2306, 2307, 2753, 3625, 3626, 3629, 3630, 3864, and 4455 (H. Repts. 788–807, respectively);

S. Con. Res. 31, authorizing the printing of additional copies of certain hearings and reports on juvenile delinquency for the use of the Committee on the Judiciary (H. Rept. 808);

H. Res. 270, waiving points of order against certain provisions of H. R. 6766, making appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, the Tennessee Valley Authority, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by the Department of the Army for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 809); and

H. Res. 271, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour debate on, H. R. 5891, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands (H. Rept. 810).

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Flag Day: Conducted exercises in observance of Flag Day. Pages 8155–8157

Reciprocal Trade Agreements: By a vote of 347 yeas to 54 nays the House adopted the conference report of H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Pages 8157–8174

Peace: By a voice vote the House adopted H. Con. Res. 157, reaffirming the desire of the American people for peace. Pages 8174–8175

Burley Tobacco: Adopted S. Con. Res. 37, requesting the President to return for reenrolling S. J. Res. 60, directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls, to change the date for submission of the report from July 1 to November 1, 1955. Page 8175

Bank Holding: By a record vote of 371 yeas to 24 nays the House passed H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies. A recommittal motion designed to substitute new text for the bill was rejected by a voice vote.

Adopted several perfecting amendments.

Rejected an amendment to substitute new provisions for the bill (for text, see p. 6818).

Also rejected an amendment designed to exempt companies where 75 percent of their assets are composed of forestry and agricultural holdings.

Among other things the bill will require bank holding companies, within a maximum of 5 years, to divest themselves of interests in nonbanking enterprises.

Pages 8176–8194

Printing: Adopted S. Con. Res. 31, authorizing the printing of additional copies of certain hearings and reports on juvenile delinquency for the use of the Committee on the Judiciary. Page 8194

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:18 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE

Committee on Agriculture: The Forests Subcommittee heard testimony today on the following bills—

H. R. 374, to authorize adjustment and clarification of ownership to certain lands within the Stanislaus National Forest, Tuolumne County, Calif.;

H. R. 426, to provide for establishment of townsites from national forest land administered by the Secretary of Agriculture under title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act;

H. R. 763, to make certain lands situated within the boundaries of the Lincoln National Forest, N. Mex.,

which were conveyed to the United States by the State of New Mexico, parts of such national forest; and

H. R. 4004 and S. 1079, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell, at not less than the appraised value, lands in the national forests which are (1) isolated parcels or narrow projecting strips or (2) lands immediately adjacent to urban areas.

Representative Engle testified on H. R. 374 and H. R. 426, of which he is author. A statement by Representative Fernandez, author of H. R. 763, was submitted for the record by Robert C. McConnell, his secretary.

Witnesses heard on H. R. 4004 were Representative Coon, of Oregon; Representative Brooks, of Texas; Matt Triggs, of the American Farm Bureau Federation, who also spoke on H. R. 426; Daniel A. Poole, of the Wildlife Manufacturers Institute, who suggested certain amendments in the present version of the bill; and Michael Hudova, editor of "Sports Afield," who spoke in opposition to its enactment.

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Voted unanimously to report to the House H. R. 5700, with amendments, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 5827 and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to provisions and improvements in housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Will continue on same subject tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed hearings on proposed legislation to increase the national minimum hourly wage standard. Julius Hochman, vice president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, today recommended an increase from the present 75-cent rate to $1.25 an hour. He is scheduled to return for further testimony tomorrow morning. Also scheduled tomorrow is Frank Hancock, a former Member of Congress from North Carolina.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued consideration of the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. Testifying in a morning executive session on the subject of Latin America were Henry F. Holland, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs; M. N. Hardesty, Acting Regional Director, Foreign Operations Administration; and Wyman Stone, Area Director, Central Division, FOA.

In an afternoon meeting on the subject of Europe, the committee heard executive testimony from Livingston T. Merchant, Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs; and Stuart Van Dyke, Deputy Regional Director, Office of European Operations, FOA. Recessed until tomorrow when an executive session is scheduled for the morning and an open meeting in the afternoon.

GOVERNMENT LENDING AGENCIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganizations heard testimony today regarding the approach made by the Hoover Commission's Task Force relative to its study of Federal lending agencies. Paul Grady, a partner of Price Waterhouse & Co., was chairman of said Task Force, and he appeared in lieu of the scheduled witness, John B. Hollister, Executive Director of the Hoover Commission. Mr. Grady is scheduled to return for further testimony and subcommittee interrogation next Monday morning.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation voted (18 to 6) to report to the full committee, H. R. 3383, with amendments, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Colorado River storage projects and the participating projects.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems continued its current series of hearings, and received testimony from the following witnesses—E. T. Weir, chairman of the National Steel Corp.; Prof. Milton Handler, Columbia Law School, New York City; and Don Montgomery, director of the UAW-CIO Washington office. Recessed until tomorrow morning when FTC Chairman Howrey is scheduled to testify.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 held a hearing on H. J. Res. 291, giving the consent of the Congress to interstate compacts or agreements dealing with juveniles and delinquent juveniles. Testifying at the session were B. E. Crihfield, representing the Council of State Governments; Prof. Mitchell Wendell and Frederick Zimmermann, a research director, both of the Joint Legislative Committee on Interstate Cooperation; and Prof. Frank Grad, representing the Columbia University Legislative Drafting Research Fund. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported favorably to the full committee 11 private claim bills of the House, and reported adversely on 5 others.

FEDERAL CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Approved a 7½ percent across-the-board pay increase for Federal

classified employees. Recessed until tomorrow morning for executive action on other features of the proposal.

SUBVERSIVES IN GOVERNMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Announced postponement of tomorrow's (Wednesday) hearing by the Tumulty subcommittee on H. R. 617 and 6590, to prohibit the employment by the Government of the United States of persons who are disloyal or who believe in the right to strike against the Government.

MINING—MEDAL OF HONOR—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Rules: Took the following action at today's session—

Granted an open rule providing 1 hour of general debate on H. R. 5891, to amend the act of 1947 and the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands. (Representatives Engle and Young testified on the measure.)

Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour general debate on H. R. 735, to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain persons awarded the Medal of Honor. The rule also waives points of order against the bill and provides for consideration of a committee substitute amendment as an original bill for purposes of amendment. (Representative Teague of Texas, author of the measure, spoke on its behalf.)

Also granted a rule waiving points of order against H. R. 6766, the public works appropriation bill for 1956. Heard on this legislation were Representatives Rabaut, Davis of Wisconsin, and Baker.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS—NATO—COMMUNISM

Committee on Rules: Took the following action on three measures reported from the House Committee on Foreign Affairs—

Granted open rules providing 1 hour of debate on, and waiving points of order against, H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949; and H. Con. Res. 109, to authorize the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Conference. Representatives Richards and Vorys testified on both proposals.

Also considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. Res. 183, to request the Secretary of State to take action to carry out certain recommendations of the Select Committee on Communist Aggression contained in its report made at the close of the 83d Congress. Representatives Richards, Dodd, Judd, and Feighan spoke in support of the proposal, and Representative Vorys spoke in opposition.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee met in executive session to mark up proposed legislation relative to furnishing benefits provided under Federal law for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Recessed on the subject until Thursday afternoon.

Joint Committee Meetings

BRIEFING BY SECRETARY STEVENS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Military Applications met in executive session to hear Secretary of the Army Robert Stevens and others testify with regard to atomic weapons in Army defense planning, but made no announcements.

AGREEMENTS FOR COOPERATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation met in executive session with representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission to discuss certain agreements for cooperation, but made no announcements and adjourned subject to call.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate cleared trade agreements bill for President and worked on Commerce appropriations.

House rejected resolution authorizing investigation of Federal Open Market Committee and debated Public Works appropriation bill.

House committees approved bills on Federal employees' salaries, customs simplification, and various military and merchant marine subjects.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8230–8242

Bills Introduced: 16 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2238–S. 2253; and S. Con. Res. 39 and 40. **Pages 8233–8234**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 5841, to repeal the fee stamp requirement in the Foreign Service and amend section 1728 of the Revised Statutes (S. Rept. 550);

H. R. 5842, to repeal service charge for authenticating copies of records in State Department (S. Rept. 551);

H. R. 5860, authorizing certain officers and employees of the Department of State and Foreign Service to carry firearms (S. Rept. 552);

S. 1966, to amend Interstate Commerce Act regarding filing of documents evidencing lease or sale of motor vehicles (S. Rept. 553);

S. 1713, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, with amendments and with individual views (S. Rept. 554);

S. J. Res. 77, modification of project for Ferrells Bridge Reservoir, Tex. (S. Rept. 555);

H. R. 6410, authorizing construction of building for Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution (S. Rept. 556);

S. 2097, authorizing transfer of certain agricultural property in Saint Croix, V. I., to Department of Agriculture (S. Rept. 557);

S. 2098, to provide appropriations for Agricultural Extension Service to meet special needs (S. Rept. 558);

H. R. 2973, conveyance of land in Macon County to Georgia State Board of Education (S. Rept. 559);

H. R. 5188, to prohibit publication by U. S. Government of any prediction with respect to apple prices (S. Rept. 560);

S. 1472, to extend financial assistance to desert-land entrymen on public land, with amendments (S. Rept. 561);

S. 1757, to provide penalties for violations of U. S. standards or services, with amendments (S. Rept. 562);

S. 1759, relating to appropriation of Federal funds for support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico, with amendments (S. Rept. 563); and

S. 1400, to protect the integrity of grade certificates under the U. S. Grain Standards Act, with amendments (S. Rept. 564). Page 8233

Bills Referred: 1 House-passed bill and 1 House-passed resolution were referred to appropriate committees. Page 8230

Obscene Matter: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 600, relating to mailing of obscene matter, clearing the bill for the President. Pages 8241–8242

Trade Agreements: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H. R. 1, to extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements. Pages 8242–8271, 8271–8274, 8294–8296

Commerce Appropriations: Senate worked on H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department, adopting most committee amendments but reserving action until tomorrow on committee amendments respecting item for payments to air carriers, CAB, item for Business and Defense Services Administration, several items under Maritime Activities, item regarding classification of Budget Officer of Department of Commerce, and item regarding Governor of the Canal Zone. Pages 8242, 8296–8306

Treaty Reported: Austrian State Treaty (Exec. G, 84th Cong., 1st sess.) was reported (Exec. Rept. 8). Page 8230

Confirmations: Four civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of John B. Hollister, of Ohio, to be Director of the International Cooperation Administration, and Donald Ross, of New Jersey, to be member of the Renegotiation Board, together with 39 nominations in the Diplomatic and Foreign Service, and 29 postmasters. Page 8308

Nominations: 58 civilian nominations were received, including that of William J. Hallahan, of Maryland, to be a member of the Home Loan Bank Board, along with 162 in the Air Force, and 3 Marine Corps, in the rank of general. Pages 8306–8308

Recess: Recessed at 6:12 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 2097, authorizing transfer of certain agricultural property in Saint Croix, V. I., to Department of Agriculture; S. 2098, to provide appropriations for Agricultural Extension Service to meet special needs; H. R. 2973, conveyance of land in Macon County to Georgia State Board of Education; and H. R. 5188, to prohibit publication by U. S. Government of any prediction with respect to apple prices; and

Amended—S. 1400, to protect the integrity of grade certificates under the U. S. Grain Standards Act; S. 1472, to extend financial assistance to desert-land entrymen on public land; S. 1582, to extend for 1 year the period for making of emergency agricultural loans; S. 1757, to provide penalties for violations of U. S. standards or services; and S. 1759, relating to appropriation of Federal funds for support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

Committee referred to subcommittee for further study S. 2099, to provide more adequate credit for low-income farmers; S. 1199, Family Farm Development Act; and S. 2105, price reporting for basic forest products for farmers.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia, but did not complete its work, and recessed subject to call of the Chair.

PROXY CONTESTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities continued its hearings on the subject of proxy contests, hearing testimony from Chairman J.

Sinclair Armstrong, Securities and Exchange Commission, who was accompanied by other members of the Commission. Mr. Armstrong described the regulations of the SEC and the new proposed revisions in regard to proxy contests. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

FOREIGN CARRIER PERMITS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued its hearings with regard to the present policies in issuing air-carrier permits to foreign airlines, hearing testimony in open session from Alexander G. Hardy, senior vice president, National Airlines; Robert Ramspeck, vice president, Eastern Airlines; Thomas Taylor, vice president, Trans-World Airlines, Inc.; Stuart G. Tipton, general counsel, Air Transport Association; Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State; Russell B. Adams, vice president, Pan American World Airways; Ross Rizley, Chairman, and Chan Gurney, member, both of CAB; and Herbert A. Schneider, Braniff Airlines.

In executive session, the committee heard testimony from Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Ross Rizley, and Chan Gurney.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTITRUST AND MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its hearings on the general subject of mergers, and heard testimony from Edgar Kaiser, president, Kaiser Motors. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Internal Security met to make public 31 excerpts from the diary of Henry Morgenthau, Jr., relating to various subjects, including foreign-affairs activities of Harry Dexter White, an exposed Soviet espionage agent.

SALK ANTIPOLIO VACCINE

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued its hearings on S. 1984 and S. 2147, bills to authorize Federal grants to States to assist in administration of Salk polio vaccine program, having as its witnesses Dr. Julian P. Price, member, board of trustees, and Dr. Walter B. Martin, past president, both of American Medical Association; and Basil O'Connor, president, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Committee recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Lease purchase projects at St. Paul, Minn. (post office and customhouse), Huntington, W. Va. (Federal office building), Kansas City, Kans. (post office and courthouse), Abingdon, Va. (post office and courthouse), Jamestown, N. Y. (post office and courthouse), and Kingsport, Tenn. (post office and Government office);

Without amendment S. J. Res. 77, modification of project for Ferrells Bridge Reservoir, Tex., and H. R. 6410, authorizing construction of building for Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution; and

The nomination of Col. William F. Cassidy, Corps of Engineers, to be president and member of California Debris Commission.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 1993, authorizing installation of additional elevators in Senate wing of the Capitol; H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise; H. J. Res. 232, authorizing erection of a memorial gift from the Government of Venezuela; and S. Res. 106, to provide additional funds for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs ($10,000);

With amendments—S. 636, to revise the Federal election laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections (approved pending submittal of any individual or minority views by Tuesday, June 21); and S. Res. 103, increasing the limit of expenditures by the Select Committee on Small Business ($50,000); and

Two original resolutions granting gratuities to survivors of deceased Senate employees.

The committee denied a request of Pathe News to use the Senate Chamber in connection with a feature film entitled "The Court-martial of General Billy Mitchell."

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 29 public bills, H. R. 6829–6857; 10 private bills, H. R. 6858–6867; and 10 resolutions, H. J. Res. 344 and 345, H. Con. Res. 162–164, and H. Res. 274–278, were introduced. **Pages 8309–8310, 8364–8365**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 274, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H. R. 735, to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain persons awarded the Medal of Honor (H. Rept. 811);

H. Res. 275, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Conference (H. Rept. 812);

H. Res. 276, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended (H. Rept. 813);

Sixteen private bills, S. 1654, H. R. 932, 1180, 1435, 1436, 1439, 1698, 1901, 1987, 2070, 2708, 2783, 2944, 3189, 3871, and 5021 (H. Repts. 814–829, respectively);

S. 800, to repeal act limiting the date of filing claims for retainer pay with respect to members of Naval Reserve Force or Marine Corps Reserve (H. Rept. 830);

S. 802, removing requirement for a final physical examination for inductees who continue on active duty in another status in the Armed Forces (H. Rept. 831);

S. 804, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949, as amended, to provide for advance payments of certain pay and allowances of members of the uniformed services (H. Rept. 832);

S. 933, to facilitate the settlement of the accounts of deceased members of the uniformed services (H. Rept. 833);

S. 1137, to extend the authority for the enlistment of aliens in the Regular Army (H. Rept. 834);

H. R. 5000, to authorize voluntary extensions of enlistments in the Army, Navy, and Air Force for periods of less than 1 year (H. Rept. 835);

H. R. 5270, to repeal two provisions of law requiring that certain military personnel shall be paid monthly (H. Rept. 836);

Two private bills, H. R. 1151 and H. J. Res. 251 (H. Repts. 837 and 838, respectively);

H. R. 5822, to extend economic emergency loan program for 2 years, amended (H. Rept. 839);

S. 2078, a private bill (H. Rept. 840);

H. R. 6726, to continue the effectiveness of the Missing Persons Act, as amended, to July 1, 1956 (H. Rept. 841);

H. R. 4118, to amend the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 relating to the computation of the 10-year recapture period (H. Rept. 842);

Report of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries entitled "Vessel Replacement in the American Merchant Marine" (H. Rept. 843);

S. 1139, extending the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France (H. Rept. 844);

S. 107, authorizing conveyance of land at Fort Devens, Mass., to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (H. Rept. 845);

H. R. 46, authorizing conveyance to city of Anniston, Ala., of certain real property within Fort McClellan, Ala., amended (H. Rept. 846);

H. R. 1459, authorizing conveyance of land in Orange County, N. Y., to the village of Highland Falls, N. Y., amended (H. Rept. 847);

H. R. 4218, authorizing the lending of certain Army, Navy, and Air Force equipment to the Girl Scouts of America, amended (H. Rept. 848);

H. R. 4886, providing that active service in the Army and Air Force shall be included in determining the eligibility for retirement of certain commissioned officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard (H. Rept. 849);

H. R. 5269, increasing the number of cadets the President may select for appointment to the U. S. Military and Air Force Academies (H. Rept. 850); and

H. R. 5623, authorizing the nomination of certain members of the Civil Air Patrol as cadets at the U. S. Air Force Academy (H. Rept. 851). **Pages 8363–8364**

U. S. Securities: By a record vote of 178 yeas to 214 nays, the House rejected H. Res. 210, authorizing the Committee on Banking and Currency to conduct studies and investigations, and make inquiries relating to the Federal Open Market Committee of the Federal Reserve Board. **Pages 8310–8322**

Public Works Appropriations: Adopted H. Res. 270, waiving points of order against provisions of H. R. 6766, making appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, the Tennessee Valley Authority, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by the Department of the Army for fiscal year 1956; concluded all general debate, and read the first paragraph for amendment before deferring further action on the bill to Thursday. **Pages 8323–8356**

Bills Referred: 54 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Pages 8362–8363**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:46 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY LEGISLATION

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

S. 107, to provide for the conveyance of a portion of the Fort Devens Military Reservation, Mass., to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;

S. 800, to repeal the act limiting the date of filing claims for retainer pay with respect to members of Naval Reserve Force or Marine Corps Reserve;

S. 802, to amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act regarding removal of requirement for final physical examination;

S. 804, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949, regarding advance payments to members of uniformed services;

S. 933, to authorize members of U. S. uniformed services to designate a beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive the amount found due them at the time of death;

S. 1137, to extend until June 30, 1957, the period during which unmarried aliens, between the ages of 18 and 35 who are without dependents, may enlist in the Regular Army;

S. 1139, to extend the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France;

S. 2078, to permit a retired officer of the Navy to be employed in a command status in connection with Antarctic expeditions;

H. R. 46, amended, to authorize the conveyance to the city of Anniston, Ala., certain real property within Fort McClellan, to be used for a cemetery;

H. R. 1151, a private bill;

H. R. 1459, amended, to provide for the conveyance of a tract of land in Orange County, N. Y., to the village of Highland Falls, N. Y.;

H. R. 4218, amended, to authorize loan of such tents, cots, blankets, services, etc., as may be necessary and useful to the Girl Scouts of the USA for use at the Girl Scout Senior Roundup Encampment beginning in June 1956;

H. R. 4717, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to quitclaim all Federal right, title, and interest to certain lands, to the village of Sag Harbor, N. Y.;

H. R. 4886, to provide that active service in the Army and Air Force shall be included in determining the eligibility for retirement of commissioned officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard with 20 years of service;

H. R. 5000, to authorize voluntary extensions of enlistments in the Army, Navy, and Air Force for periods of less than 1 year;

H. R. 5269, to increase from 89 to 300 the number of cadets that the President may personally select for appointment to the U. S. Military Academy and the U. S. Air Force Academy;

H. R. 5270, to repeal two provisions of law requiring that certain military personnel shall be paid monthly;

H. R. 5623, to authorize the nomination of certain members of the Civil Air Patrol as cadets at the U. S. Air Force Academy;

H. R. 6601, to provide for the suspension of certain benefits in the case of members of the Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps ordered to extended active duty in time of war or national emergency;

H. R. 6726, to continue the effectiveness of the Missing Persons Act, as extended, until July 1, 1956; and

H. J. Res. 251, to authorize the President to issue posthumously to the late Seymour Belinky, U. S. Army flight officer, a commission as second lieutenant, U. S. Army, as of December 27, 1944.

SPANISH BASES

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert Subcommittee on Investigations resumed hearings today relative to Air Force construction of Spanish bases. Meeting with the group were Harold E. Talbott, Secretary of the Air Force; and Rear Adm. John R. Perry, Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks (Navy). Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 5827, the Housing Act amendments for 1955. Will resume on same subject Friday morning.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Julius Hochman, vice president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, presented further testimony today in connection with his recommendation at yesterday's meeting to increase the national hourly minimum wage standard from 75 cents to $1.25. A second witness, Frank Hancock, of Oxford, N. C., urged an increase in the wage standard to $1 per hour. Mr. Hancock, a former Member of Congress, spoke for 12 textile companies located in North Carolina. Recessed until tomorrow morning when representatives of independent labor groups are scheduled to testify.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Received executive testimony this morning pertaining to the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. Witnesses heard were James W. Riddleberger, Ambassador to Yugoslavia; Brig. Gen. Peter Haines, Chief, Military Assistance Advisory Group to Yugoslavia; James F. Killen, Director, United States Operations Mission, Yugoslavia; H. Struve Hensel, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs; and Peter K. Morse, Office of General Counsel, Foreign Operations Administration.

In an afternoon open hearing the committee heard the following witnesses—Representatives Roosevelt and Powell; Norman S. Paul, Deputy Director for Congressional Relations, FOA; Christopher Phillips, Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs, Department of State (U. N. Technical Assistance, U. N. Refugee Fund); Dr. Martha Eliot, Chief, Children's Bureau (on UNICEF); Laurence Dawson, Chief, Escapee Program Division, FOA (on escapee program); George Warren, Office of Refugee Relief Program, Department of State (on Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration); and William McCahon, FOA (on ocean freight).

Recessed until tomorrow when open hearings are scheduled for 10:30 a. m., 2 p. m., and 8 p. m. Government officials are the first on the schedule of witnesses, as follows—Chester Bowles, former Ambassador to India; Norman S. Paul, Deputy Director for Congressional Relations, FOA; and John B. Hollister, Administrator (designee), International Cooperation Administration.

ALASKAN HOSPITALS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Territories resumed hearings today on H. R. 6334 and 6337, to provide care and hospitalization for the mentally ill of Alaska. Testimony on the proposals was presented by Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent of St. Elizabeths Hospital, Washington, D. C. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

RADIO CALL SELECTORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications concluded public hearings today on H. R. 4090, requiring the installation of an automatic radio telegraph call selector on U. S. cargo ships carrying less than two radio operators for safety purposes. Testimony in opposition to the proposal was presented by Edward Phillips, of the American Merchant Marine Institute, Washington, D. C.; and Ralph B. Dewey, representing the Pacific-American Steamship Association and the Pacific-American Tankship Association, Washington, D. C.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held a hearing on H. R. 3073, for the relief of Sigfried Olsen Shipping Co. Heard on the proposal were Representative Shelley, author of the bill, and Sigfried Olsen.

In an executive meeting that followed, the subcommittee ordered this bill reported to the full committee along with five other private claims bills of the House. One claim bill of the House was reported adversely.

It also ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5522, for the relief of the Florida State Hospital. Another bill, H. R. 5421, for the relief of the State of Oklahoma, was ordered referred (by House resolution) to the Court of Claims for findings of fact, which will report its conclusion to the Congress.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Edward F. Howrey, Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, testified today before the Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems. He was accompanied by Federal Trade Commissioners John W. Gwynne and Robert T. Secrest. Hearings will be continued Friday morning.

SUBSIDY CONTRACTS—SHIP REPLACEMENTS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4118, providing for the computation of the 10-year recapture period with respect to operating differential subsidy contracts under the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 be computed from the end of the operator's last completed recapture period regardless of its duration, or from the beginning of subsidized operations if the operator has not previously completed a recapture period.

Also approved for reporting to the House a subcommittee report regarding the Ship Replacement Program. Recessed until Friday morning when it will hear Gov. John S. Seybold regarding abandonment of the Panama Canal Railroad.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' SALARIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Approved a bill today providing for pay increases to Federal employees.

Striking out the provisions of S. 67, the committee inserted completely new language which would provide a 7½-percent increase for approximately 1,073,262 employees, effective beginning with the first pay period commencing after February 28, 1955. Employees of the three branches of the Federal Government are covered, specifically, as follows—

(*a*) employees whose positions are subject to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended;

(*b*) officers and employees in or under the judicial branch of the Government;

(*c*) court reporters for Federal district courts;

(*d*) secretaries and law clerks of circuit and district judges;

(*e*) officers and employees in or under the legislative branch of the Government;

(*f*) elected officers and certain appointive officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives (except the presiding officers);

(*g*) officers and employees in the Department of Medicine and Surgery in the Veterans' Administration; and

(*h*) employees in the Foreign Service of the United States under the Department of State.

Other features of the bill would provide the following—

(1) authorize comparable increases to employees whose salaries are set by administrative action such as employees of the TVA;

(2) raise the limit on salaries which may be paid to officers and employees of the Central Bank for Cooperatives, or any production credit corporation, production credit association, or bank for cooperatives, to permit giving employees of these organizations raises comparable to those received by other Federal employees under this act;

(3) maintain the present ceiling of $14,800 above which no salary may be raised by reason of this enactment;

(4) restrict the maximum salary for employees of the legislative branch (except those whose salaries are specifically set by law) to the maximum provided under the Classification Act of 1949, as amended;

(5) provide for an adjustment in the salaries of employees transferred from the CPC schedules (Crafts, Protective, Custodial) to wage board salary schedules to take into consideration the increases provided under this bill;

(6) provide comparable salary increases for the "savings cases" (those drawing salaries over the top salary rate for their grade);

(7) provide for a proportionate payment of the salary increase due for work performed during the retroactive period to employees who retired or to the estate of employees who died during the retroactive period; and

(8) consolidate all authority for grades 16, 17, and 18; repeals extraneous laws giving separate authority.

The salary increases provided in the legislation are permanent, are subject to retirement deductions, and will be taken into consideration in computing overtime and night-differential pay. Approximate cost of the total pay increases provided by the legislation will be $325 million annually.

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON, D. C.

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Public Buildings and Grounds received favorable testimony today in connection with proposed legislation to promote the redevelopment of the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia. Bills pending on the subject are H. R. 1760 and 6472, and S. 1290, which passed the Senate on June 8. Witnesses heard were Samuel Spencer, President of the Board of D. C. Commissioners; John R. Searles, Jr., Executive Director of the D. C. Redevelopment Land Agency; Maxwell H. Elliott, General Counsel, General Services Administration; William Zeckendorff, of the Webb & Knapp Co., New York City; and L. J. Esunas and Dr. M. R. Danielian, local interested citizens. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS' INSURANCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Insurance ordered the following bills reported favorably to the full committee—

H. R. 1617, concerning the waiver of premiums for certain prisoners of war;

H. R. 1619, relating to renewal of term insurance within 120 days after separation of service;

H. R. 6832 (introduced in lieu of H. R. 1622), to permit a lump-sum payment of attorneys' fees on insurance;

H. R. 6100, to permit the payment of insurance to the estate of the insured where the insured is mentally incompetent; and

H. R. 6419, to redefine the terms "stepchild" and "stepparent" for the purposes of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act.

Action on 27 other bills on the general subject of insurance was deferred by the subcommittee.

CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 6040, amended, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the customs laws.

Thursday, June 16, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills extending draft for 4 years and making appropriations for Commerce Department, and took up Defense appropriations, agreeing to limit debate thereon.

Public Works appropriation bill passed by House.

Senate committees approved miscellaneous bills and nominations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8397–8405

Bills Introduced: 13 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2254–S. 2266. Page 8398

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. Con. Res. 157, reaffirming the desire of the American people for peace (S. Rept. 565);

S. 847, to authorize the construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey, Commerce Department (S. Rept. 566);

S. 1571, to authorize voluntary extensions of enlistments in the Army, Navy, and Air Force for periods of less than 1 year (S. Rept. 567);

S. 1725, to repeal two provisions of law requiring that certain military personnel shall be paid monthly (S. Rept. 568);

S. 2135, to provide for suspension of certain benefits in the case of members of the Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps ordered to extended active duty in time of war (S. Rept. 569);

S. 2266, to extend the Missing Persons Act until July 1, 1956 (S. Rept. 570); and

H. R. 4650, to regulate the sale and use of fireworks in the Canal Zone (S. Rept. 571). Page 8398

Commerce Appropriations: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department, after adopting committee amendments on which action had been put over until today from yesterday and two floor amendments, as follows:

By 51 yeas to 24 nays, committee amendment increasing by $15 million funds for payments to air carriers, CAB; committee amendment respecting funds

for Business and Defense Services Administration, after adopting a modified Mundt amendment thereto increasing these funds by $75,000 and earmarking $345,000 for the Area Development Division; by 53 yeas to 20 nays, committee amendment increasing by $38.1 million funds for ship construction, Maritime Activities; on division vote, committee amendment increasing by $25 million funds for operating-differential subsidies, Maritime Activities; Holland amendment (on behalf of committee) increasing by $375,000 authorized transfers of funds to administrative and warehouse expenses, Maritime Activities; Green amendment increasing by $2.5 million funds for establishment of meteorological facilities; and committee amendment (under suspension of rules procedure) respecting vessel operations revolving fund, after it had first been rejected by sustaining of Williams point of order.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Holland, Ellender, Kilgore, Magnuson, Stennis, Clements, Smith of Maine, Bridges, Knowland, Thye, and Potter. Pages 8406–8422, 8430–8450, 9453–8454

Selective Service: Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years and to extend the Doctors Draft Act for 2 years, after adopting committee amendment (in the nature of a substitute), which had first been amended by adoption of Martin (of Pennsylvania) amendment setting the age of draft liability for men entering National Guard at 28 instead of 30, and Russell amendment of a clarifying nature.

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Russell, Byrd, Johnson (of Texas), Saltonstall, and Bridges. Pages 8457–8463

Saline Water Use: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 2126, extension of the saline-water program. Pages 8463–8464

Reclamation Projects Distribution: Conference report on H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies. Page 8464

Private Bill: Senator Eastland was relieved from further service as a conferee on H. R. 1142, a private bill, and Senator McClellan was appointed to serve in his place. Page 8463

Defense Appropriations: Senate made its pending business H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations for fiscal year 1956, reaching unanimous-consent agreement to limit debate thereon, as follows: On Monday, June 20, at conclusion of morning business, debate on any amendment or motion (except a motion to lay on table) shall be limited to 2 hours, equally divided, and debate on final passage shall be limited to 2 hours, equally divided. Pages 8463, 8464–8465

Confirmation: One civilian nomination was confirmed. Pages 8405–8406, 8465

Recess: Recessed at 7:33 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS, AND 4-H CLUB CAMP

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm price support program, having as its witness Senator Carlson, who testified in favor of S. 1750, to provide a two-price plan for wheat price supports.

Prior to this hearing, the committee met in open session with delegates to the 25th annual national 4-H Club camp.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued in executive session to mark up H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia, but did not complete its work, and recessed subject to call.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

An original bill (S. 2266) to extend for 1 year the Missing Persons Act;

Without amendment H. R. 4650, to regulate the sale and use of fireworks in the Canal Zone, S. 1725, to repeal two provisions of law requiring that certain military personnel shall be paid monthly, S. 1571, to authorize voluntary extensions of enlistments in the Army, Navy, and Air Force for periods of less than 1 year, and S. 2135, to provide for suspension of certain benefits in the case of members of the Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps ordered to extended active duty in time of war; and

The nomination of Gordon Gray, of North Carolina, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs, and 4,482 nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

Prior to approval of the above-listed bills, testimony was heard thereon from the following witnesses: Paul M. Runnestrand, Assistant Secretary of the Panama Canal Company, on H. R. 4650; Lt. Col. Robert C. O'Hara, Office of the Director of Air Force Finance, on S. 1725; Comdr. J. B. Schley, Enlisted Personnel Division, Bureau of Naval Personnel, on S. 1571; and Lt. Col. James F. Cutter, G–1, Army, on S. 2135.

RENEGOTIATION

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the Senate with amendments H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation

Act of 1951 for 2 years. Amendments adopted would: (1) Extend the exemption of standard commercial articles to include "standard commercial services" performed directly on materials by a contractor or subcontractor where such materials are owned by another, (2) exempt any contract with a Department, awarded as a result of competitive bidding, for the construction of any building, structure, improvement, or facility, except for military housing, (3) eliminate from the definition of "new durable productive equipment" the provision that such equipment may not become a part of an end product, (4) delete section 2 of House-passed bill, and (5) provide for a study of renegotiation, details of which study are being worked out.

SHIP CONSTRUCTION, AND NOMINATION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 847, to authorize the construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey, Commerce Department, and the nomination of Richard A. Mack, of Florida, to be a member of the FCC.

Prior to this action, the committee held hearings on the nomination of Mr. Mack, with testimony in his behalf from Senators Holland and Smathers. Mr. Mack appeared in his own behalf.

Hearings were also held on the nomination of William C. Kern, of Indiana, to be a member of the FTC, with opposition testimony from Senator Lehman, and Jess M. Ritchie, president of Pioneers, Inc., Oakland, Calif. Also testifying were Stephen J. Spingarn, a D. C. attorney and former member of the FTC, and George J. Burger, National Federation of Independent Business, Washington, D. C. Mr. Kern appeared in his own behalf.

FOREIGN AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued its hearings, in executive session, on the present policy in issuing air-carrier permits to foreign airlines. Witnesses heard today were Joseph H. Fitzgerald, Chief, Foreign Aid Division, CAB; Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; and Russell B. Adams, vice president, Pan American World Airways.

Executive hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTITRUST AND MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its current series of hearings devoted to the economic background of corporate mergers, hearing testimony from Robert R. Nathan, of Robert R. Nathan Associates, and Harry A. Toulmin, Jr., attorney, of Dayton, Ohio.

Hearings continue Tuesday, June 21.

SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee concluded its hearings regarding alleged Communist activities to discredit Michael Musmanno, associate justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. Witnesses heard today were Justice Musmanno; Edward Hughes and Max Homer, both of Pittsburgh; John J. Mullen, United Steel Workers of America, CIO; James F. Malone, district attorney of Allegheny County, Pa.; George E. Ditzi, of Bridgeville, Pa., a former undercover agent for the FBI; and Joseph Rechet and Harry A. Sherman, both attorneys, of Pittsburgh.

Subcommittee will hold hearings tomorrow on Communist exploitation of the foreign-language press in the U. S. A.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 24 public bills, H. R. 6868–6891; 5 private bills, H. R. 6892–6896; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 165–168 and H. Res. 279 and 280, were introduced.

Pages 8548–8549

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 6679, to authorize the construction of two nuclear-propelled vessels (H. Rept. 852);

H. R. 6601, providing for the suspension of certain benefits in the case of members of the Reserve components of the armed services ordered to extended active duty in time of war or national emergency (H. Rept. 853);

Two private bills, H. R. 2746 and 5080 (H. Repts. 854 and 855, respectively);

H. R. 4280, relating to conveyance of certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina (H. Rept. 856); and

S. 67, Federal Employees' Salary Increase Act of 1955 (H. Rept. 857). Page 8548

Independent Offices Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriation bill for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees, Representatives Thomas, Yates, Evins, Boland, Cannon, Phillips, Vursell, Ostertag, and Taber.

Page 8469

Public Works Appropriations: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 6766, making appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, the Tennessee Valley Authority, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by the Department of the Army, for fiscal year 1956. A motion to recommit the bill had previously been rejected by a voice vote.

Adopted amendments designed to—

Delete language authorizing construction of a powerplant near Fulton, Tenn.

Partially restore the cut in investigative funds.

Restore $33 million for construction and rehabilitation of authorized reclamation projects.

Increase by $2 million the funds earmarked for construction of small authorized projects whose cost does not exceed $150,000.

Restore to $50,885,000 the appropriation for flood control on the Mississippi River and tributaries.

Also adopted several amendments that provided for general construction or advance planning on certain projects that resulted in increasing the amount authorized for "Construction, general," by $47,920,000.

Rejected amendments that sought to—

Prevent use of funds to continue investigation of Burns Waterway in Indiana.

Provide $18,500,000 for dredging the Delaware River.

Prevent use of funds for developing the Tuttle Creek project in Kansas.

Authorize an appropriation of $563,000 for deepening the channel of port of Tacoma, Wash.

Also rejected an amendment to furnish $9,400,000 for construction of a transmission line from Fort Randle to Grand Island, Nebr.

The bill as reported from the Committee on Appropriations recommended appropriations of $1,285,746,242, which figure is $503,418,758 below the budget estimates and $578,183,358 under the 1955 appropriation.

Pages 8469–8542

Private Bill: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2907, a private bill; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Lane, Forrester, and Miller of New York. Page 8543

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:26 p. m.

Committee Meetings

4-H CLUB DELEGATION

Committee on Agriculture: Met today with members of the National 4-H Club Camp Delegation. The organization, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary camp here in Washington, heard accounts of the committee's activities during this session and its future legislative program.

PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Armed Services: Voted to report to the House H. R. 6829, a clean bill which supersedes H. R. 5700, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held open hearings today on the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. Received testimony from Chester Bowles, former Ambassador to India; Norman S. Paul, Deputy Director for Congressional Relations, FOA, on special programs; and John B. Hollister, Administrator, International Cooperation Administration; and John Murphy, Controller, Adm. W. S. DeLany, Deputy Director for Mutual Defense Assistance Control, and Peter Morse, Office of General Counsel, all of FOA.

In a night session, the following witnesses testified—Ansel F. Luxford, of Pehle, Lesser, Mann, Riemer & Luxford; Louis W. Schneider, American Friends Service Committee; Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein, American Zionist Committee for Public Affairs; Gordon Rule, counsel for the National Association of Engine & Boat Manufacturers, Inc.; David E. Hervey, president, Hervey Foundation, Inc.; and Philip Schiff, chairman, continuing action committee, American Association for the United Nations.

Recessed until tomorrow morning, when officials of the Foreign Operations Administration and Department of Agriculture are scheduled as the first witnesses.

ALASKAN HOSPITALS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Territories held executive consideration today on H. R. 6334 and 6337, to provide for care and hospitalization for the mentally ill of Alaska. Took no action and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session, the committee voted to give the Department of Justice certain material requested by it from the files of the Special Subcommitee To Investigate the Department of Justice.

SALK VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Announced that the Subcommittee on Health and Science would resume public hearings next week (June 22 and 23) on H. R. 6286, to authorize appropriation of $28 million to assist States in providing Salk vaccine for polio-immunization programs.

ALUMINUM INDUSTRY

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 3 (Representative Yates, chairman) announced today that public hearings would be resumed next Tuesday, June 21, relative to its study of current shortages and

long-range problems in the aluminum industry. The purpose of the forthcoming hearings is to bring primary producers together with the other segments of the aluminum industry in order to work out a program of equitable distribution. Chairman Yates stated that Secretary of Commerce Weeks, ODM Director Flemming, and General Services Administrator Mansure have also been invited to appear.

Friday, June 17, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate ratified Austrian State Treaty, passed 26 sundry measures, and debated defense appropriations.

Senate committee approved bill to establish Commission on Government Security.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8571–8580

Bills Introduced: 4 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2267–S. 2270; S. Con. Res. 41; and S. Res. 113 and 114. **Pages 8572–8573, 8621**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Proposed agreements for cooperation between Turkey, Brazil, Colombia, and the U. S. relating to atomic information (S. Rept. 572);

H. R. 6499, general Government matters appropriation bill for fiscal 1956, with amendments (S. Rept. 573);

S. 1582, to extend for 1 year the period for making of emergency agricultural loans, with amendment (S. Rept. 574);

S. 63, providing for appointment of heads of regional and district offices of the Post Office Department by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate (S. Rept. 575);

S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointment (S. Rept. 576);

S. Res. 103, increasing the limit of expenditures by the Select Committee on Small Business, with amendments (S. Rept. 577);

S. 1993, authorizing installation of additional elevators in Senate wing of the Capitol, with amendment (S. Rept. 578);

H. J. Res. 232, authorizing erection of a memorial gift from the Government of Venezuela (S. Rept. 579);

H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise (S. Rept. 580);

S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security, with amendments (S. Rept. 581); and

S. Res. 106, to provide additional funds for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs (no written report). **Pages 8572, 8573**

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. **Page 8571**

Treaty Ratified: By 63 yeas to 3 nays, Senate adopted resolution of ratification on Austrian State Treaty (Exec. G, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). **Pages 8580–8591, 8591–8613**

Peace Reaffirmation: H. Con. Res. 157, reaffirming the desire of the American people for peace, was adopted. **Page 8591**

Routine Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted S. Res. 113 and 114, providing for gratuities to survivors of deceased Senate employees, and S. Con. Res. 41, directing Secretary of Senate to make certain changes in the resolving clause of S. J. Res. 62, dedicating the Custis-Lee Mansion in Arlington, Va., as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee. **Pages 8572–8573, 7621**

Custis-Lee Mansion: Senate agreed to House amendment to, and cleared for President, S. J. Res. 62, dedicating the Custis-Lee Mansion in Arlington National Cemetery as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee. **Page 8621**

Sundry Bills Passed: Senate took up the following sundry bills from the calendar on motion and passed them as indicated:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Arkansas River compact: H. R. 208, Arkansas River compact between Arkansas and Oklahoma;

Flood control: H. R. 3878, to amend the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood-control work;

Telephones: H. R. 4426, to amend the act of 1922 relating to installation of telephones in certain private residences for Federal use;

Fee stamp: H. R. 5841, to repeal the fee stamp requirement in the Foreign Service and amend section 1728 of the Revised Statutes;

State Department records: H. R. 5842, to repeal service charge for authenticating copies of records in State Department;

Firearms: H. R. 5860, authorizing certain officers and employees of the Department of State and Foreign Service to carry firearms;

Smithsonian Museum: H. R. 6410, authorizing construction of building for Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution;

Apple prices: H. R. 5188, to prohibit publication by U. S. Government of any prediction with respect to apple prices; and

Private bills: H. R. 4573 and H. R. 2984.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Inter-American Highway: H. R. 5923, authorizing appropriations for completing construction of the Inter-American Highway.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

State Department: S. 2237, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department;

Texas bridge: S. J. Res. 77, modification of project for Ferrells Bridge Reservoir, Tex.;

Virgin Islands: S. 2097, authorizing transfer of certain agricultural property in St. Croix, V. I., to Department of Agriculture;

Agricultural extension: S. 2098, to provide appropriations for Agricultural Extension Service to meet special needs;

ICC documents: S. 1966, to amend Interstate Commerce Act regarding filing of documents evidencing lease or sale of motor vehicles; and

Coast and Geodetic: S. 847, to authorize the construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey, Commerce Department.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Water pollution: S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act;

Maine bridge: S. 1550, authorizing Maine State Highway Commission to construct and operate a free highway bridge across the St. Croix River between Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada;

Desert-land entrymen: S. 1472, to extend financial assistance to desert-land entrymen on public land;

U. S. standards: S. 1757, to provide penalties for violations of U. S. standards or services;

Agricultural experiment stations: S. 1759, relating to appropriation of Federal funds for support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico;

Grain certificates: S. 1400, to protect the integrity of grade certificates under the United States Grain Standards Act. Pages 8622–8635

Resolutions Referred: Three resolutions, as follows, were referred to Committee on Rules and Administration: S. Res. 93, appointing a subcommittee to work toward the goal of world disarmament; S. J. Res. 112, to appoint Members of Senate to attend NATO Conference in Paris in 1955; and S. Con. Res. 29, authorizing appointment of congressional delegation to attend NATO Parliamentary Conference. Page 8623

Defense Appropriations: Senate debated H. R. 6042, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Defense Department, but took no actions thereon. Pages 8621, 8638–8639, 8642–8646

Call of Calendar: Senate modified, to the following extent, its unanimous consent agreement reached June 16 providing for limitation of debate effective at conclusion of morning hour, June 20, on H. R. 6042, Defense Department appropriations: Immediately following the morning hour on Monday, June 20, the calendar will be called beginning with Order No. 523, and when the call of the calendar has been completed, the Senate then will continue on H. R. 6042, with Senator Chavez retaining the floor, and after his speech explaining the bill debate thereon will be limited as agreed upon in unanimous-consent order entered June 16.

Pages 8571, 8635, 8638–8639

Confirmations: The nominations of Richard A. Mack, of Florida, to be a member of the FCC, and of Gordon Gray, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, were confirmed, along with 23 in the Air Force Reserve, 1 in the Navy in the rank of admiral, and 214 in the Army and Marine Corps. Pages 8580, 8646

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:55 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Continuing its hearings on farm price support programs, committee heard testimony from J. T. Sanders, Washington, D. C., and Herman Fakler, vice president, Millers National Federation. Hearings continue Tuesday, June 21.

APPROPRIATIONS—GENERAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the Senate with amendments H. R. 6499, general Government matters appropriation bill for fiscal 1956. As approved, the bill would provide total funds of $27,166,300, an increase of $5,275,600 over the House-passed figure of $21,890,700.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—AEC–TVA DIVISION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works—AEC–TVA Division continued its hearings, with testimony, as follows:

On Tennessee Valley Authority—with testimony from Charles J. Fain, Assistant General Manager, Paul H. Tidwell, of Centerville, Tenn., Charles M. Stewart, of Bowling Green, Ky., and Floyd S. Nelson, of Fayetteville, Tenn., all representing the National Rural Electric

Cooperative Association; Mayor Leslie Horn, of Corinth, Miss.; Maj. Tom Allen, of Memphis, Tenn.; Louis Eckl, Florence Times, Florence, Ala.; and Alex Radin, American Public Power Association; and

On Atomic Energy Commission funds—with testimony from Robert Kabat.

Hearings continue Monday, June 20.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works—Interior Division continued its hearings, with testimony as follows:

On funds for the Interior Department—with testimony from Sidney D. Larson, Director, Division of Budget and Finance;

On funds for the Bureau of Reclamation—with testimony from Commissioner Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Alfred R. Golzé, Chief, Program Coordination and Finance Division, and Floyd E. Dominy, Chief, Irrigation Division;

On funds for Southwestern Power Administration—with testimony from Assistant Secretary Fred Aandahl, and Administrator Douglas C. Wright; and

On funds for Bonneville Power Administration—with testimony from M. D. Dubrow, manager of Washington office, and L. W. Kudej, administrative officer.

Hearings continue Monday, June 20.

NATIONAL RESERVE PLAN

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in executive session for the purpose of deciding on procedures to be followed with respect to hearings on the national reserve plan, and agreed to postpone any decision so as to give the House additional time to determine what action it may take on this matter.

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Preparedness Subcommittee held an executive organizational meeting, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Housing held a roundtable discussion to hear members of industry with regard to problems and programs in the housing field. Participating in today's session were representatives of the following groups: National Association of Home Builders, National Association of Real Estate Boards, National Savings and Loan League, United States Savings and Loan League, Mortgage Bankers Associations, and Investment Bankers Associations. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

D. C. FISCAL AFFAIRS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs held hearings, as follows:

On S. 2176, to repeal requirement that public utilities in D. C. must submit annual reports to Congress—with testimony from R. Roy Dunn, president, Potomac Electric Power Co., who favored enactment of the bill, and from George E. C. Hayes, Chairman, and Robert M. Weston, member, both of D. C. PUC, and Lloyd B. Harrison, Assistant Corporation Counsel for D. C., who stated no objections to the proposed legislation; and

On S. 2177, to repeal the prohibition against declaration of stock dividends by public utilities in D. C.—with testimony from George E. C. Hayes, Robert M. Weston, and Lloyd B. Harrison, who favored the bill with certain suggested amendments, and from R. Roy Dunn, and Oscar Berry, general counsel, Washington Gas Light Co., who also favored the bill and had no objection to amendment thereto.

SECURITY COMMISSION

Committee on Government Operations: Committee, in executive session, unanimously ordered favorably reported with amendments S. J. Res. 21, to establish a Commission on Government Security (as recommended by its Subcommittee on Reorganization); and without amendment S. 1585, providing for return to Hartford, Vt., of certain land.

Committee also agreed to refer to its Subcommittee on Reorganization the eight Hoover Commission reports and draft legislation received thus far by the committee.

MISSOURI RIVER BASIN PROJECT—AINSWORTH UNIT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on S. 2206, providing for construction and operation by the Secretary of the Interior of the Ainsworth unit of the Missouri River Basin project. Testifying in favor of the bill were W. C. Smith, Jr., and Kimon P. Karabatsos, both of Ainsworth, Nebr.; Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Commissioner of Bureau of Reclamation; and Clyde Burbick, Ainsworth, Nebr., area engineer, Bureau of Reclamation.

Testifying in opposition to this bill was Lynn Heth, of Valentine, Nebr., representing the Sand Hill Conservation Association.

FOREIGN AIR CARRIERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee continued, in executive session, its hearings on the present policy in issuing air carrier permits to foreign airlines—particularly on recent U. S. negotiations with the Republic of Germany regarding air routes. Witnesses heard today were Joseph H. Fitzgerald, Chief, Foreign Aid Division, CAB; Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; Russell B. Adams, vice president, Pan American World Airways; Herbert A. Schneider, Braniff Airlines; and Alexander Hardy, senior vice president, National Airlines. Hearings adjourned subject to call.

COMMUNIST EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PRESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee held hearings on the problem of Communist exploitation of the foreign language press in the U. S. A. Witnesses appearing today were Paul Novick, editor in chief of a Communist publication, New York; Frank Borich, Brooklyn, N. Y., editor of Serbian newspaper "Radnik" or "Narodri Glasnik"; and Boris Sklar, editor of "Russki Golos," a Russian language newspaper in New York City. The witnesses refused, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), to answer questions as to their Communist affiliations or their newspapers' following of the Communist line. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program continued its hearings, having as its witnesses Louis J. Lyell, a former employee of the Small Business Administration, and SBA Administrator Wendell Barnes. Mr. Barnes submitted to the subcommittee a preliminary statement, and answered questions of the subcommittee regarding the security program of the SBA, but did not complete his testimony and will continue same on Thursday, June 23.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 20, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

FOOD STAMP PLAN

Committee on Agriculture: Held hearings on pending bills relating to the Food Stamp Plan; amendments to section 416 of the Agricultural Act of 1949, etc. The following Members of Congress who testified were Representatives Sullivan, Metcalf, Pfost, Griffiths, Rabaut, and Van Zandt. Other witnesses heard were Earl L. Butz, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; Daniel J. Ryan, superintendent, Detroit (Mich.), Welfare Department; and Earl Fitzgerald, executive secretary, Food Industry Committee, Detroit (Mich.). Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ARMY AND NAVY OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee ordered the following bills reported to the full committee, each amended—S. 1718, to provide certain clarifying and technical amendments to the Reserve Officers Personnel Act of 1954; H. R. 2109, Navy and Marine Corps Officers Augmentation Act; and H. R. 2112, relating to retirement of certain temporary officers of the naval service after active service.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed hearings on proposed legislation to increase national hourly minimum wage standards. Testimony was received today from representatives of the National Independent Union Council, Southern Hardware Producers, and the American Veneer Package Association. Recessed on the subject until next Tuesday.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: In the morning hearing on the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954, the committee heard testimony from Roger Stewart, Food and Agriculture Director, FOA; and Gustave Burmeister, Assistant Administrator for Market Development, Foreign Agricultural Service, Department of Agriculture, who discussed agricultural surpluses.

In the afternoon session, the following witnesses testified—Representative Feighan of Ohio; James G. Patton, president, National Farmers Union; Wallace Campbell, Cooperative League of the U. S. A.; Andrew J. Biemiller, American Federation of Labor; John T. Byrne, Association of Marine Underwriters of the United States; Daniel Benedict, Congress of Industrial Organizations; and Mrs. Alexander Stewart, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.

Recessed until Monday morning when it will begin executive marking up of the proposed legislation.

MINING FLOODS—LAND CONVEYANCE

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee heard testimony today in connection with H. R. 38, 77, 2391, and 2444, providing for temporary measures of flood control and anthracite mine drainage. Speaking on the proposals were Representatives Fenton and Carrigg, authors of H. R. 38 and 77, respectively.

The subcommittee also received testimony from Representative Selden regarding his bill, H. R. 392, to provide for return to the former owners of certain lands acquired in connection with the Demopolis lock and dam project, of certain mineral rights in such lands. Testifying on the same subject was Lewis Hoffman, of the Bureau of Land Management.

AINSWORTH PROJECT, MISSOURI BASIN

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation began hearings today on H. R. 5749, providing for Federal construction and operation of the Ainsworth unit of the Missouri River Basin project. Departmental officials testifying were W. A. Dexheimer, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and Clyde Burdick, engineer, region No. 7, Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colo. Testimony in support of the proposal was received from Representative Miller of Nebraska, author of the bill; William C. Smith, attorney for the Ainsworth Irrigation District, along with Ben Clark, president, and Henry Miles, secretary-treasurer, of the same district; J. Hall Dilon and Oliver Anderson, county commissioners, Brown County, Nebr.; and Edward T. Winter, executive vice president, Missouri Valley Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications concluded hearings on H. R. 4744, and similar bills, to remove the limitation now placed upon the amount of annuity payable to spouses of individuals under the Railroad Retirement Act and make the amount equal to the maximum amount which could be paid to such person under section 202 (b) of the Social Security Act. Testifying on the proposed legislation were the following Members of Congress—Representatives Van Zandt, Bennett of Florida, Poff, and Roosevelt. Other witnesses heard were Walter Matscheck, director of research, Railroad Retirement Board, Chicago, Ill.; Lester P. Schoene, appearing on behalf of all standard railway labor organizations, Washington, D. C.; Thomas Stack, National Railroad Pension Forum, Chicago, Ill.; Guy F. Fain, grand president, National Association of Retired and Veteran Railway Employees, Glendale, Ohio; and F. C. Squire and Horace W. Harper, Railroad Retirement Board members, Chicago, Ill.

MEDICAL EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Health and Science concluded public hearings today on H. R. 4743, proposing authorization of $250 million over a 5-year period to be used for construction grants for medical schools. Favoring the legislation were the following deans of medical schools—Dr. Walter A. Bloedorn, George Washington University; Dr. Maxwell A. Lapham, Tulane University; and Dr. Francis Forster, Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. Witnesses who testified, and suggested amendments, were Shiler Peterson, American Dental Association, and J. F. Denslow, American Osteopathic Association.

Statements for the record were submitted on behalf of the American Medical Association, which approved the bill under discussion, by Dr. F. J. L. Blasingame and Dr. Walter S. Wiggins. Other statements received were from Dr. Vernon W. Lippard, dean of Yale University Medical School; Dr. Joseph C. Hinsey, director, New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center; Dr. John B. Youmans, Vanderbilt University Medical School; Dr. Robert A. Moore, vice chancellor, School of the Health Profession, University of Pittsburgh; Dr. Norman Topping, vice president, University of Pennsylvania; and Rev. James P. Hussey, S. J., president of Loyola University, Chicago, Ill.

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems heard the following witnesses at today's session—Stanley Gewitz, of Air Transport Association of America; William Simon, of Empire State Petroleum Association; and William S. Brennan of the American Fair Trade Council. Recessed until June 27.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported to the full committee, H. Con. Res. 167 and 168, concurrent resolutions approving the granting of the status of permanent residence to certain aliens. Also reported favorably on 34 private immigration bills (22 of the House and 12 of the Senate); and reported adversely on 7 private immigration bills (4 of the House and 3 of the Senate).

PATENTS—TRADEMARKS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee No. 3 concluded hearings on H. R. 4983, to fix the fees payable to the Patent Office; and H. R. 6175, to amend section 31 of the act of July 5, 1946 (ch. 541, 60 Stat. 427; 15 U. S. C. 1113), relating to trademarks.

Witnesses heard on the proposed subjects were W. Houston Kenyon, vice president, The New York Patent Law Association, New York City; William R. Ballard, adviser to Committee on Patents, National Association of Manufacturers, New York City; Richard K. Stevens, American Patent Law Association, Washington, D. C.; Fritz Lanham, National Patent Council, Washington, D. C.; C. Willard Hayes, legislative chairman, National Council of Patent Law Associations; Sidney Faber, representing Aircraft Industries, Washington, D. C.; Chauncey P. Carter, attorney, Washington, D. C.; and Karl F. Ross, president, American Association of Registered Patent Attorneys and Agents, New York City. A statement was also submitted for the record on behalf of William E. Schuyler, Jr., chairman, Committee on Legislation, Patent Trademark and Copyright Section, American Bar Association, Washington, D. C.

CANAL ZONE RAILROAD

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Gov. John S. Seybold, of the Canal Zone Government, discussed the abandonment of the Panama Canal Railroad today. Others heard on the subject today were Repre-

sentative Flood, of Pennsylvania; and W. M. Whitman, Secretary of the Panama Canal Company. Recessed until Monday morning when it will begin hearings on maritime labor-management problems.

SERVICE CREDITS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee heard testimony today on H. R. 3687, to provide for inclusion in computation of accredited service or certain periods of service rendered States or instrumentalities of States. Heard on the subject were the following Members of Congress—Representatives Rogers of Colorado, Whitten, Harvey, and Marshall. Also testifying on the subject was Tolbert E. Crabb, of the International Association of Personnel for Employment Security. Recessed on the subject until next Tuesday morning.

LAKE MICHIGAN WATER DIVERSION

Committee on Public Works: Heard Members of Congress on bills proposing additional withdrawal from Lake Michigan of an annual average of 2,500 cubic feet of water per second for flow into the Illinois Waterway during the 3-year period beginning on date of enactment. Sponsors of bills who testified, all from the State of Illinois, were Representatives O'Brien, Dawson, O'Hara, Murray, McVey, Kluczynski, Bowler, Gordon, Yates, Hoffman, Sheehan, Boyle, Church, Mack, Price, and Gray. Also heard in support of the proposed subject was Albert J. Meserow, representing the Sanitary District of Chicago, Ill. Opposition to the legislation was presented by Adm. Lyndon Spencer, president, Lake Carriers Association, Cleveland, Ohio; and Herbert H. Naujoks, general counsel, Great Lakes Harbors Association, Chicago, Ill.

U. S.—PHILIPPINE TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met executively on H. R. 6059, to authorize the President of the United States to enter into an agreement with the President of the Republic of the Philippines to revise the 1946 trade agreement between the United States and the Philippines. Recessed until Monday morning.

RETIREMENT ANNUITIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Announced that public hearings would be conducted on June 27 and 29 on H. R. 9 and 10, the Individual Retirement Act of 1955. This legislation has as its purpose the limited exclusion from gross income of amounts paid to a restricted retirement fund or premiums paid under a restricted retirement annuity contract.

It is expected that a representative of the Treasury Department will be scheduled as the first witness. Persons desiring to testify on the legislation may arrange to do so by submitting a written request to the clerk of the Committee on Ways and Means, room 1102, New House Office Building, Washington 25, D. C., by Wednesday, June 22, 1955.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee resumed executive marking up of proposed legislation to furnish benefits provided under Federal law for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Officials of the Railroad Retirement Board appeared at today's session. Recessed on the subject until Monday afternoon.

Monday, June 20, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

By unanimous vote of 80 yeas, Senate passed Defense appropriation bill, and also passed bill on emergency farm loans.

House passed Federal employees' pay raise bill and 16 miscellaneous bills.

U. S.-Philippines trade-agreements bill approved by House committee.

Conferees agreed to file report on independent offices appropriations bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8650–8674

Bills Introduced: 6 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2271–S. 2276; S. J. Res. 79–81; and S. Res. 115 and 116. Pages 8655, 8677–8678, 8723

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years, with amendments (S. Rept. 582); and

S. 1585, providing for return to Hartford, Vt., of certain land (S. Rept. 583). Page 8654

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 26 bills, of which 20 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Canal Zone: H. R. 4650, to regulate the sale and use of fireworks in the Canal Zone; and

Private bills: Six private bills: H. R. 1062, 1081, 1086, 1108, 1165, and 1664.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Private bills: Three private bills: H. R. 947, 1085, and 4853.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Voluntary enlistments: S. 1571, to authorize voluntary extensions of enlistments in the Army, Navy, and Air Force for periods of less than 1 year;

Military pay: S. 1725, to repeal two provisions of law requiring that certain military personnel shall be paid monthly;

Reserve forces: S. 2135, to provide for suspension of certain benefits in the case of members of the Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps ordered to extended active duty in time of war;

Missing persons: S. 2266, to extend the Missing Persons Act until July 1, 1956; and

Private bills: Six private bills: S. 80, 176, 186, 561, 562, and 1884.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Capitol elevators: S. 1993, authorizing installation of additional elevators in Senate wing of the Capitol; and

Private bills: Four private bills: S. 664, 1155, 1730, and 606.

Resolution passed:

Private bill: S. Res. 115, referred to Court of Claims S. 175, a private bill. **Pages 8674–8678**

Defense Appropriations: By unanimous vote of 80 yeas, Senate passed with amendments H. R. 6042, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Defense Department, after taking the following actions on amendments:

Adopted: All committee amendments en bloc which were then considered as original text for purpose of amendment; Young amendment providing for continued operation of John Moses Veterans Hospital in Minot, N. Dak.; by 40 yeas to 39 nays, a series of 3 Symington amendments, en bloc, to increase by $33,806,000 funds for military personnel, Marine Corps, increasing by $3,733,390 funds for Marine Corps procurement, and increasing by $8,855,000 funds for Marine Corps troops and facilities; O'Mahoney amendment providing for obligation and expenditure of funds for aircraft as rapidly as possible and practicable to the end that U. S. shall not fall behind any nation in air power; and McClellan amendment providing for continued operation of Army-Navy hospital at Hot Springs National Park, Ark., and Murphy General Hospital in Boston; and

Rejected: By 33 yeas to 48 nays, Mundt amendment to eliminate section barring use of funds for disposal or transfer by contract or otherwise of work that has, for as long as 25 years, been performed by civilian personnel of the Defense Department in certain circumstances.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference with the House, and appointed as conferees Senators Chavez, Hayden, Russell, Hill, Byrd, Saltonstall, Bridges, Young, and Flanders.

Pages 8679–8695, 8698–8699, 8700–8715

Government Employees Pay Raise: Senate disagreed to House amendment to S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Johnston (South Carolina), Neely, Pastore, Carlson, and Jenner. **Pages 8695–8698**

Emergency Farm Loans: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 1582, to extend for 2 years the period for making of emergency agricultural loans. **Page 8715**

General Government Appropriations: Senate made its pending business H. R. 6499, general Government matters appropriation bill for fiscal 1956. **Page 8718**

Communist-Occupied Nations: By unanimous consent, it was agreed to refer to Committee on Foreign Relations S. Res. 116, declaring it to be the sense of the Senate that the Secretary of State should secure the agreement of the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, and France that the disposition of the nations of Eastern Europe and of Asia now under Communist control shall be a subject of discussion at conference between the heads of state. **Pages 8721–8725**

Nominations: 1 nomination to a U. N. group was received, along with 3 Army nominations in the rank of general. **Page 8725**

Recess: Recessed at 6:14 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works—Interior Division continued its hearings, with testimony from Senator Barrett, who discussed the Owl Creek (Wyo.) division of the Missouri River Basin project; Senator Monroney, who discussed funds for the Southwestern Power Administration; and numerous outside witnesses, who testified regarding various provisions of the bill. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Civil Defense held hearings to receive testimony from Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel Carter L. Burgess regarding his department's responsibility in civil defense matters. Subcommittee also heard Val Peterson, Federal Civil Defense Administrator, discuss the civil defense exercises of June 16 and 17 (Operation Alert).

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization began hearings on S. 2163 and S. 2165, bills to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950. Witnesses heard were Arthur S. Flemming, Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization, and Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, both of whom supported extension of the Defense Production Act for 2 years, and suggested certain amendments to the act.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRIP LEASING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation began hearings on S. 898, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act with respect to the authority of the ICC to regulate the use by motor carriers of motor vehicles not owned by them, in the furnishing of transportation of property, with testimony favoring the bill from the following witnesses: Matt Triggs, assistant legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; C. B. ThunderBurk, National Council of Farmer Cooperatives; Joseph Parker, the National Grange; Maxwell W. Wells, Florida Citrus Commission and the Growers and Shippers League of Florida, Orlando, Fla.; and Durward Seals, United Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association, Washington, D. C.

Statements, also favoring the proposed legislation, were submitted for the record by Angus McDonald, assistant legislative secretary, National Farmers Union, and Fred W. Burrows, International Apple Association, Washington, D. C. Hearings continue tomorrow.

POSTAL AFFAIRS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Postal Affairs held hearings, as follows:

On S. 655, to reimburse postmasters of discontinued post offices for equipment, with testimony in opposition to the bill from Albert J. Robertson, Assistant Postmaster General, and Abe Goff, Solicitor, both of the Post Office Department; and testimony favoring the bill from Austin Latimer, National Association of Postmasters; Jess Horton, National Association of Supervisors; and C. B. Gravit, Jr., National League of Postmasters; and

On S. 1404, to provide bonds for post-office employees, with testimony favoring the bill from Jerome Keating and Warren Bledsoe, both of the National Association of Letter Carriers; Roy Hallbeck, National Association of Postal Clerks; Thomas G. Walters and John McCart, both of American Federation of Government Employees; Ross Messer, National Association of Post Office and General Service Administration Maintenance Employees; George Riley, AFL; Austin Latimer; C. B. Gravit, Jr.; Jess Horton; and Howard M. Starling, the Association of Casualty & Surety Companies.

SENATE RESTAURANT

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on the Senate Restaurant held an executive meeting, but made no announcements and will meet again Wednesday, June 22.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H. R. 6897–6922; 11 private bills, H. R. 6923–6933; and 5 resolutions, H. J. Res. 346–350, were introduced. **Pages 8775–8777**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 6040, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the custom laws (filed on June 18) (H. Rept. 858);

H. R. 5560, makes permanent the existing privilege of free importation of personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders (filed on June 18) (H. Rept. 859);

H. R. 5936, to provide wage credits under title II of the Social Security Act for military service before January 1, 1956, and to permit application for lump-sum benefits under such title to be made within 2 years after interment or reinterment in the case of servicemen dying overseas before January 1, 1956 (filed on June 18) (H. Rept. 860);

Conference report on H. R. 2126, to amend the act of 1952, relating to research in the development and utilization of saline waters (H. Rept. 861);

Conference report on H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies (H. Rept. 862);

H. R. 5168, provides for the retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration and increases borrower participation in the management and control of the Federal Farm Credit System, amended (H. Rept. 863);

H. R. 4717, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to quitclaim all right, title, and interest of the United States to certain lands, to the village of Sag Harbor, N. Y., amended (H. Rept. 864);

H. R. 6829, to authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations (H. Rept. 865);

H. Res. 204, to provide funds for the expenses of the studies, investigations, and inquiries authorized by H. Res. 203 (H. Rept. 866); and

Report from the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy entitled "Proposed agreements for cooperation between the Turkish Republic and the United States; the United States of Brazil and the United States; and the Republic of Colombia and the United States" (H. Rept. 867).

Pages 8727, 8775

Selective Service: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Vinson, Brooks of Louisiana, Kilday, Short, and Arends. Page 8726

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Pray for peace: H. R. 692, authorizing a special canceling stamp or postmarking die bearing the words "Pray for Peace."

Public lands: H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights.

Ecclesiastical postage: H. R. 4585, to amend the act of August 24, 1912, to simplify the procedures governing the mailings of certain publications of churches and church organizations.

Public lands: H. R. 4747, to provide that reversionary Federal interests in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Okla., shall be quitclaimed to such city.

Indian land: H. R. 4802, authorizing the execution of mortgages and deeds of trust on individual Indian trust or restricted land.

Farmers' emergency aid: H. R. 4915, to extend for an additional 2 years the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen.

Militay pay and allowance: H. R. 5652, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army and Air Force.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Scorpions: S. 35, to permit the shipment by mail of live scorpions.

Public lands: S. 1464 (in lieu of H. R. 4664), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber-access roads.

Oklahoma land: H. R. 4001, to provide for the management and disposition of certain public-domain lands in Oklahoma.

Mail: H. R. 4808, a bill to provide for transmission through the mail of keys and identification cards.

Passed over without prejudice:

NATO Parliamentary Conference: H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Conference.

Medal of Honor: H. R. 735, to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain Medal of Honor awardees.

State compacts: H. R. 3758, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, relating to copies of agreements or compacts between States.

Passport fees: H. R. 5844, to increase the fee for executing an application for a passport from $1 to $3.

Public land use: H. R. 5891, amend the mining laws to provide for multiple uses of the surface of the same tracts of public lands.

Travel Expense Act: H. R. 6295, amending the Travel Expense Act of 1949 to provide an increased maximum per diem allowable for subsistence and travel expenses.

Objected to and stricken from calendar:

Alaskan constitutional convention: H. R. 5166, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska.

Pages 8727–8731

Suspension Passages: The consideration of legislation under suspension of the rules was in order and the House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following bills:

Federal employees' pay increase: By a record vote of 370 yeas to 3 nays the House passed with an amendment S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government; agreed to insist on its amendment; and appointed as conferees Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Davis of Georgia, and Rees of Kansas. Pages 8731–8741

Public land uses: Passed, with amendments, by a voice vote, H. R. 5891, to amend the act of July 31, 1947, and the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands.

Pages 8741–8746

NATO Parliamentary Conference: By a rollcall vote of 337 yeas to 31 nays, the House adopted H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Conference. Pages 8746–8752

Travel expenses: Passed, 320 yeas to 41 nays, H. R. 6295, to amend section 3 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949, as amended, to provide an increased maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses, with amendments. Pages 8752–8756

Committee Investigation: Adopted H. Res. 204, to provide $75,000 for the studies and investigations relating to housing to be conducted by the Committee on Banking and Currency as authorized by H. Res. 203.

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Lee Memorial: Adopted S. Con. Res. 41, directing Secretary of Senate to make certain changes in the resolving clause of S. J. Res. 62, dedicating the Custis-

Lee Mansion in Arlington, Va., as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee. Page 8756

Resolution Re-referred: The Committee on House Administration was discharged from further consideration of H. Res. 269, authorizing payment of salary due to James M. Hazlett, deceased, and the resolution was re-referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. Page 8757

Bills Referred: 12 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 8774

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:31 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings subcommittee heard testimony today from Joe Hart, of La Grange, Tex., who appeared as representative of the Old Cotton Belt Association of Texas. Mr. Hart discussed the severe loss of income under the present cotton acreage allotment law. He stated that there had been an inequitable distribution of cotton acreage in Texas and requested remedial legislation by Congress.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to provisions and improvements in housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Will continue on the same subject tomorrow.

D. C. LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

S. 391, to broaden Commissioners' powers relative to bonding of officers and employees of the D. C. government;

H. R. 5852, to extend until June 30, 1957, the authorization period of appropriations for the hospital center and facilities in the District of Columbia;

H. R. 5853, to amend the act of 1907 relative to regulating the practice of veterinary medicine in the District of Columbia;

H. R. 5892, amended, to authorize officers and members of the D. C. Metropolitan Police Force and of the Fire Department voluntarily to perform certain services on their time off from regular duty and be compensated therefor;

H. R. 6259, to amend section 8 of the act of 1948, relative to certain expense authorizations being advanced to the D. C. Armory Board;

H. R. 6585, amended, to amend D. C. law relative to disposition of cases where an accused person of unsound mind or mental incompetency is unable to understand the proceedings against him or properly to assist in his defense; and

H. R. 6574, to provide that owners or sellers of motor vehicles or trailers may transfer D. C. tags for unexpired term at fee cost of $1.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee today heard sponsors of pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.), to local educational agencies in the areas affected by Federal activities. Members of Congress who testified were Representatives Hays of Arkansas, Blatnik, Lesinski, Bennett of Florida, Baldwin, and Quigley. Recessed on these proposals subject to call of the Chair. Will resume tomorrow morning on pending legislation to increase national hourly minimum wage standards.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee postponed its scheduled executive meeting on a draft bill (to be prepared for the full committee) providing Federal assistance to States for school construction programs.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Began executive marking up of the draft bill to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

GOVERNMENT LENDING AGENCIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization resumed testimony today regarding the approach made by the Hoover Commission's task force relative to its study of Federal lending agencies. Paul Grady, a partner of Price Waterhouse & Co., and chairman of said task force, returned for subcommittee interrogation and further testimony, which he began at the start of the hearings on June 14. Following Mr. Grady, the subcommittee received testimony from Theodore Herz, staff director of the task force. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

STATE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on International Operations resumed hearings today pertaining to a study of overseas personnel administration of the Department of State. (The Robert Heller Associates made the study under the direction of the State Department in 1953–54.) Hamilton W. Wright, who headed up the survey, and other members

of the Heller firm testified. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

SAN PEDRO (CALIF.) NAVAL DEPOT

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Military Operations today considered the proposed disestablishment of the San Pedro (Calif.) Naval Supply Depot. Employee representatives testifying were Joseph L. Wilson and Warren W. Garrison, who represented the Naval Supply Depot Boosters' Association. Appearing for the Department of the Navy were Rear Adm. R. J. Arnold, Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts; and Capt. A. F. Ryan, Special Assistant to the Deputy Chief of the same Bureau. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

COAL MINING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining considered H. R. 6471, to provide for entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the United States classified as or known to be valuable for coal. Testimony in support of the proposal was received today from Representative Berry, author of the bill; Senator Case of South Dakota; John Bennett, of Buffalo, S. Dak., representing the Claimholders Association of Northwestern South Dakota. Departmental witnesses were Edward Woozley, Bureau of Land Management, and Clarence Bradshaw, Acting Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior. Recessed until Wednesday morning for further consideration of this bill, following consideration of H. R. 38 and 6816 and similar bills to provide for temporary measures of flood control and anthracite mine drainage.

HAWAII—ALASKA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Territories approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 6331, relating to sale or lease of certain shorelands and tidelands in Hawaii and to authorize owners to make covenants and settlements of certain damage claims and for a conveyance of littoral rights; and H. R. 6573, to authorize renewals of a lease of the Annette Island Airport to the United States.

Testifying on the Hawaiian claims settlement bill were A. M. Edwards, Assistant Solicitor, Department of the Interior; and Lawson B. Knott, Office of the Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army. Also heard Mr. Edwards on H. R. 4920, which was passed over without prejudice, a bill which would constitute a Special Land Commission of 1955 to hear and provide for the review and determination of claims for the return of lands, in the Territory of Hawaii, conveyed to the Government during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry.

AINSWORTH PROJECT, MISSOURI BASIN

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Irrigation held further hearings last Saturday on H. R. 5749, providing for Federal construction and operation of the Ainsworth unit of the Missouri River Basin project. Clyde Burdick, area development engineer, region 7, Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colo., concluded his testimony which was started at Friday's session. Heard in support of the proposal was C. Petrus Peterson, president, National Reclamation Association, Lincoln, Nebr. Opponents of the legislation were T. W. McGinley, rancher from Nebraska, and Lynn E. Heth, attorney, Cherry County, Nebr. Recessed until tomorrow (Tuesday) when it will resume on the Ventura project in California.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Clarence G. Morse, Maritime Administrator, discussed present-day problems of the American merchant marine, with particular reference to its labor and management problems. Accompanying Mr. Morse were Hymen Hochfeld, Chief of the Office of Government Aid; Capt. M. K. O'Sullivan, Office of Statistics and Special Services; and Thomas Lisi, attorney, Office of the General Counsel, Operating Subsidy Branch. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the scheduled witness will be J. Paul St. Sure, president of the Pacific Maritime Association.

U. S.-PHILIPPINES TRADE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported to the House, amended, H. R. 6059, to authorize the President of the United States to enter into an agreement with the President of the Republic of the Philippines to revise the 1946 trade agreement between the United States and the Philippines. The purpose of the amendment is to make clear that the legislation merely authorizes the revision of the existing agreement rather than the establishment of a new agreement.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee postponed until tomorrow executive marking up of proposed legislation to furnish benefits provided under Federal law for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5240, independent offices appropriations for fiscal 1956.

Tuesday, June 21, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed general Government appropriations bill as well as bills on Renegotiation Act and International Finance Corporation.

House passed bill authorizing construction of Trinity River reclamation project and 79 private bills.

Bill to simplify customs laws cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Conferees agreed to file report on bill extending selective service and doctors draft.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 8794–8810

Bills Introduced: 11 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2277–S. 2287; S. Con. Res. 42 and 43. Pages 8795–8796, 8804–8805

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. Con. Res. 42, S. 332, 501, 578, 871, 987, H. R. 880, 935, 943, 968, 973, 977, 988, 995, 997, 998, 1028, 1047, 1083, 1157, 1158, 1205, 1299, 1300, 1337, private bills (S. Repts. 584–589 and 591–609, respectively);

S. 2171 to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act, by providing that upon expiration of term of office, board member shall continue to serve until successor qualifies (S. Rept. 590);

H. R. 4221, authorizing certain officers of Federal penal institutions to administer oaths and take acknowledgments (S. Rept. 610);

H. R. 4549, S. 288, 1159, 1522, H. R. 3359, private bills (S. Repts. 611–615, respectively);

S. Con. Res. 39, recognizing on the occasion of her 75th birthday, June 27, 1955, the efforts of Miss Helen Keller in behalf of physically handicapped (S. Rept. 616);

S. 1644, prescribing policy and procedure in connection with construction contracts made by executive agencies, with amendments (S. Rept. 617);

H. R. 3659, increasing the criminal penalties under the Sherman Act (S. Rept. 618);

H. R. 4954, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the U. S. to recover damages under the antitrust laws and to establish a uniform statute of limitations (S. Rept. 619);

S. 1287, to make certain increases in the annuities of annuitants under Foreign Service retirement and disability system (S. Rept. 620); and

S. Res. 116, favoring discussion at the coming Geneva Conference of the status of nations under Communist control, reported adversely (S. Rept. 621).

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Bills Referred: 9 House-passed bills and 1 House-passed resolution were referred to appropriate committees.

Pages 8793–8794

Private Bill: Conference report on H. R. 1142, a private bill, was adopted. Page 8810

Authority To Report: Committee on Foreign Relations was authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 8805

General Government Appropriations: Senate passed with committee amendments H. R. 6499, general Government matters appropriation bill for fiscal 1956.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Magnuson, Hill, Ellender, Robertson, Dirksen, Saltonstall, and Knowland. Pages 8810–8811

International Finance Corporation: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 1894, to provide for the participation of the U. S. in the International Finance Corporation. Pages 8812–8815

Renegotiation: Senate passed H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years, after adopting committee amendments and a modified Morse amendment providing for review of injustices resulting from application of the act. Pages 8815–8823

National Park Museums: Senate concurred in House amendment to, and cleared for President, S. 1747, to increase the public benefits from the national park system by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto. Page 8823

Committee Expenditures: Senate adopted two resolutions, as follows, respecting expenditures by committees: S. Res. 106, to provide additional funds for the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, and with committee amendments S. Res. 103, increasing the limit of expenditures by the Select Committee on Small Business. Page 8823

Venezuelan Gift: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. J. Res. 232, authorizing erection of a memorial gift from the Government of Venezuela. Page 8824

Atoms for Peace: Atoms for Peace, a compilation of official materials respecting peaceful applications of atomic energy, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 55. Page 8806

Public Lands: Senate took up and debated S. 1713, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, but it was displaced by the consideration of other legislation. Page 8824

Communist-Controlled Nations: Senate proceeded to consideration of S. Res. 116, favoring discussion at the coming Geneva Conference of the status of nations under Communist control. Page 8862

Confirmations: Senate confirmed 1 Army nomination in the rank of general, 1 Air Force nomination, and 1,920 nominations in the Navy. Pages 8861–8862

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:11 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm price support programs, hearing testimony from Joseph P. Hart, executive secretary, Old Cotton Belt Association of Texas, LaGrange, Tex. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—INTERIOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works—Interior Division concluded its hearings, with testimony as follows:

Senators Hruska and Curtis, and Representatives Miller, Harrison, and Weaver, all of Nebraska, on funds for Bureau of Reclamation, Missouri River Basin project (transmission lines into Nebraska);

Delegate Farrington on funds for Bureau of Reclamation, general investigations;

Representative Baldwin on funds for the Solano project, California;

Senator O'Mahoney on miscellaneous projects in Wyoming;

Representative Engle on Trinity River project;

Representative Metcalf on miscellaneous Montana projects; and

Numerous outside witnesses on miscellaneous provisions of the bill.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS—TVA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works—TVA Division concluded its hearings, after hearing testimony from Senator O'Mahoney and Gov. Frank G. Clement, of Tennessee.

STATUS OF FORCES TREATY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee To Review Operation of Article VII of the Status of Forces Treaty (Senators Ervin and Flanders) met in executive session to receive testimony from Eugene Cole Pomeroy, Defenders of American Constitution, accompanied by Brig. Gen. Merritt B. Curtis, retired.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization concluded its hearings on S. 2163 and S. 2165, bills to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950. Testimony was heard from Representative Celler, who opposed (1) extension of voluntary agreements provision (sec. 708), (2) 20-year extension of antitrust exemption, and (3) extension of authority to hire employees without compensation. Subcommittee also heard testimony from Charles F. Honeywell, Administrator, Business and Defense Services, Commerce Department, and Robert C. Lanphier, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary, Defense Department, both of whom supported extension of the act for 2 years, and suggested certain amendments.

STATUS OF NATIONS UNDER COMMUNIST CONTROL

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, unanimously voted to report adversely S. Res. 116, favoring discussion at the coming Geneva Conference of the status of nations under Communist control.

Prior to this action, hearings were held on this resolution, with testimony favoring its adoption from Senator McCarthy, and testimony in opposition to its approval from Under Secretary of State Herbert Hoover, Jr.

INTERSTATE COMPACT, AND SMALL PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 1391, compact between California and Nevada regarding waters of Truckee, Carson, and Walker Rivers, and Lake Tahoe, and H. R. 5881, to supplement the Federal reclamation laws by providing for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects.

COMMUNICATIONS ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications held and concluded hearings on the following bills:

On S. 1549, to amend the Communications Act of 1934, so as to authorize imposition of administrative fines by the FCC for violations of its rules and regulations, with favoring testimony from Commissioner Edward M. Webster, FCC, and testimony in opposition to the bill from Donald Beelar, attorney represent-

ing Aeronautical Radio, Inc., Washington, D. C., Charles Cutler, representing Alaskan Aeronautical Radio, Inc., and Jeremiah Courtney, attorney representing American Taxicab Association, Inc., National Bus Communications, Inc., American Trucking Association, Inc., and American Automobile Association, Inc., Washington, D. C.; and

On S. 1456, to amend the Communications Act of 1934, relating to the regulation of common carriers, with testimony from Harold G. Cowgill, FCC, who favored the bill, and from Bradford Ross, attorney representing the Independent Telephone Companies, Washington, D. C., who suggested an amendment to section 221.

FEDERAL AIRPORT ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 1855, to amend the Federal Airport Act.

Subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, S. 1192, to amend the Civil Aeronautics Act to exempt operations in the transportation of livestock, fish, and agricultural, floricultural, and horticultural commodities from the act and CAB regulations.

TELEVISION FREQUENCIES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee met in executive session with a group of electronic engineers to discuss the formulation of an ad hoc committee to reexamine the allocation of television frequencies, and to advise the committee on technical matters in connection with its current study of television and television network problems.

TRIP LEASING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Surface Transportation Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 898, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act with respect to the authority of the ICC to regulate the use by motor carriers of motor vehicles not owned by them, in the furnishing of transportation of property, with testimony in favor of the bill from William C. Ehalt, National Fisheries Institute, Washington, D. C.; A. Lee Towson, Jr., Vegetable Growers Association of America, Washington, D. C.; W. M. Case, National Potato Council, Washington, D. C.; Richard P. White, American Association of Nurserymen, Washington, D. C.; Caughey B. Culpepper, Atlanta Freight Bureau, Atlanta, Ga.; and John C. Perry, Atlanta Paper Co., Atlanta, Ga. Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on the Judiciary: On Monday, June 20, the committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

(1) Without amendment—H. R. 4221, authorizing certain officers of Federal penal institutions to administer oaths and take acknowledgments; H. R. 3659, increasing the criminal penalties under the Sherman Act; H. R. 4954, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the U. S. to recover damages under the antitrust laws and to establish a uniform statute of limitations; S. 987, authorizing the Commerce Department to assist the States of Maryland and Delaware to reestablish their common boundary; S. Con. Res. 39, recognizing on the occasion of her 75th birthday, June 27, 1955, the efforts of Miss Helen Keller in behalf of physically handicapped; and S. 2171, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act, by providing that upon expiration of term of office, board member shall continue to serve until successor qualifies;

(2) With amendments—S. 1644, prescribing policy and procedure in connection with construction contracts made by executive agencies;

(3) The nominations of Gerald E. Murch, of Maine, and William F. Howland, Jr., of Virginia, to be members of the Board of Parole; and

(4) 4 private claims bills (H. R. 3271, 3359, 4549, and S. 288); 25 private immigration bills (S. 332, 501, 578, 871, 1159, 1522, H. R. 880, 935, 943, 968, 973, 977, 988, 995, 997, 998, 1028, 1047, 1083, 1157, 1158, 1205, 1299, 1300, 1337); and an original concurrent resolution on deportation referral cases.

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on S. 670 (in view of approval of H. R. 3659), and S. 733 (in view of approval of H. R. 4954); 1 private claim bill (S. 1332); and 17 private immigration bills (S. 269, 347, 361, 428, 508, 582, 639, 643, 677, 769, 839, 1097, 1401, 1611, 1918, 2072, and H. R. 1468).

ANTITRUST

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its current series of hearings on the economic background of corporate mergers, having as its witness Prof. Clair Wilcox, of Swarthmore College. Hearings continue Thursday, June 23.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on the nomination of J. Edward Lumbard, of New York, to be U. S. circuit judge, second circuit, with testimony in favor of the nomination from Senator Ives. The nominee also appeared in his own behalf.

REFUGEES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee To Investigate Problems Connected With Emigration of Refugees and Escapees concluded hearings on S. 1794 and S. 2113, bills to amend the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. The witness heard today was Col. William F. Heimlich, formerly a special consultant to the Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendment S. 1618, to allow weekly newspapers to suspend publication for at least two issues for vacation purposes without losing their second-class mailing privileges, and S. 1792, to amend the Federal Employee Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, authorizing the assumption of the insurance obligations of any nonprofit association of Federal employees with its members.

Committee also ordered favorably reported 55 postmaster nominations, and ordered adversely reported 1 postmaster nomination.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 12 public bills, H. R. 6934–6945; 10 private bills, H. R. 6946–6955; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 351 and 352, H. Con. Res. 169–171, and H. Res. 281 and 282, were introduced. Pages 8896–8897

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 2109, to authorize permanent appointments in the U. S. Navy and Marine Corps, amended (H. Rept. 868);

H. R. 2112, to permit the retirement of temporary officers of the naval service after completion of more than 20 years of active service, amended (H. Rept. 869);

Conference report on H. R. 1142, a private bill (H. Rept. 870);

Conference report on H. R. 5240, making appropriations for sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, corporations, agencies, and offices for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 871);

H. Res. 144, authorizing the Committee on Public Works to conduct studies and investigations with respect to certain matters within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 872);

H. Res. 266, to authorize the Committee on Agriculture to make investigations into certain matters within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 873);

H. Res. 281, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, and making in order the consideration of a substitute amendment to, H. R. 3253, to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on Marine Corps installations (H. Rept. 874); and

H. Res. 282, providing for the consideration of, the limiting of amendments to, and 2 hours of general debate on, H. R. 6040, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the customs laws (H. Rept. 875).

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Private Calendar: Passed the following private bills on the call of the private calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 29, 120, 130, 131, 195, 243, 375, 412, 432, 471, 574, 587, 604, 640, 644, 650, 676, 735, 892, 1197, and 2078.

Also concluded legislative action on S. Con. Res. 33.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. J. Res. 251, H. R. 1151, 1179, 1302, 1436, 1470, 1698, 1927, 2070, 2242, 2259, 2306, 2307, 2313, 2708, 2717, 2749, 2755, 2783, 3189, 3624, 3625, 3629, 3871, 4284, and 5021.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. 26, 36, 244, 633, 758, 1654, H. R. 932, 1180, 1301, 1304, 1435, 1439, 1911, 1987, 2059, 2240, 2241, 2244, 2315, 2349, 2753, 2944, 2947, 3507, 3626, 3630, 3864, 4455, 4640, 4707, and 6184.

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Reclamation: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 103 to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Pages 8873–8874

Saline Water Conversion: H. R. 2126, relating to research and in the development and utilization of saline waters, was cleared for the White House when the House adopted the conference report thereon.

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Central Valley, Calif., Reclamation: By a record vote of 230 yeas to 153 nays the House passed H. R. 4663, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws, and to authorize an appropriation of $225 million therefor.

In addition to committee amendments the House amended the bill to require that 50,000 acre-feet of water be released annually from the Trinity Reservoir and made available to Humboldt County and downstream water users. Also adopted an amendment to increase the in-lieu taxpayment to an amount equal to the annual tax rate of the county applied to the value of the real property and improvements taken for project purposes in Trinity County. Pages 8875–8889

Inter-American Highway: Cleared H. R. 5923, to authorize certain sums to be appropriated immediately for the completion of the construction of the Inter-American Highway, for Presidential action by concurring in a Senate amendment thereto. Page 8889

Private Bills: H. R. 1003 and 5078, both private bills, were sent to conference when the House disagreed to Senate amendments thereto and requested a conference with the Senate. Representatives Lane, Forrester, and Miller of New York were appointed conferees on H. R. 1003, and, on H. R. 5078, Representatives Lane, Boyle, and Miller of New York were appointed conferees.

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Private Bills: The following 15 private bills were cleared for the White House by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto: H. R. 903, 1069, 1202, 1400, 1409, 1416, 1640, 1643, 2456, 2529, 2760, 3045, 3958, 4714, and 5196. Pages 8890–8891

Private Bills: S. 142 and 284, both private bills, were passed and cleared for Presidential action and the proceedings of passage of H. R. 2708 and 2240, similar bills passed previously on the call of the Private Calendar, were vacated and the House bills tabled.

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Defense Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6042, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Mahon, Sheppard, Sikes, Norrell, Whitten, Andrews, Riley, Deane, Flood, Cannon, Wigglesworth, Scrivner, Ford, Miller of Maryland, Ostertag, Davis of Wisconsin, and Taber. Page 8892

Bills Referred: 11 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 8895

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:32 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RESERVES—ARMY-NAVY OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered referred to Subcommittee No. 1, for further study, H. R. 6900, the newly introduced bill to strengthen the Armed Forces Reserves.

Also ordered the following bills reported to the House, each amended—

S. 1718, to provide certain clarifying and technical amendments to the Reserve Officers Personnel Act of 1954;

H. R. 2109, Navy and Marine Corps Officers Augmentation Act; and

H. R. 2112, relating to retirement of certain temporary officers of the naval service after active service.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 5827, and related bills, to extend and clarify laws relating to provisions and improvements in housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities. Will continue on same subject tomorrow.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Gov. Luis Muñoz Marín, of Puerto Rico, testified today as the committee resumed hearings on proposed legislation to increase the national hourly minimum wage standard. Other witnesses heard were J. V. Whitfield, president, Forest Farmers Association of North Carolina; Tom DeWeese, Philadelphia, Miss., representing the Southern Pine Industry Committee. Representatives of the Southern Pine Industry who appeared were J. R. Triplett, of North Carolina, and Ellis Martin, of Louisiana. George Tichy, Seattle, Wash., appeared for the Western Pine Association. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Continued executive marking up of S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

BRIEFING

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on International Affairs met for executive briefing today with Henry F. Holland, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs.

STATE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on International Operations resumed hearings today pertaining to a study of overseas personnel administration of the Department of State. Hamilton W. Wright, who headed up the survey made by the Robert Heller Associates, under the direction of the State Department in 1953–54, testified again today. He was accompanied by the following members of the Heller firm—Jefferson Asher, Warren Ames, and Peter Annable. Recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

NAVY SURPLUS DISPOSAL

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Military Operations discussed disposal of surplus property by the Navy Department today with Rear Adm. R. J. Arnold, Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts. Admiral Arnold was accompanied by other representatives of his Bureau. Recessed until tomorrow when officials of the Department of the Air Force will also meet on the subject of surplus disposal.

AUTOMOBILE RENTALS

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources, following an executive meeting today, began open hearings to study contracts for rental of automobiles by the Bureau of

Indian Affairs. Owen Kane, legislative attorney, General Accounting Office, was the first to testify. He was followed by Harley W. Howell, vice president of Peterson, Howell & Heather, automobile leasing firm of Baltimore, Md. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

GOVERNMENT LENDING AGENCIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization continued public hearings today regarding the approach made by the Hoover Commission's task force relative to its study of Federal lending agencies. Allan Oakley Hunter, General Counsel, Housing and Home Finance Agency, accompanied by other officials of his office, presented the views of the Agency regarding the report. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

VENTURA PROJECTS, CALIFORNIA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee further considered H. R. 3427 and 3488, authorizing the Secretary of Interior to conduct, operate, and maintain the Ventura reclamation project in California. Testimony on the subject was received from Representative Teague of California, author of H. R. 3488; Wilbur H. Dexheimer, Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation; John Hamilton, Chief of the Development Division, Santa Barbara project office, Bureau of Reclamation; George M. Purvis, president, Ventura River and Municipal Water District; and Neil Ensch, an agriculturist from the Ventura area. Recessed to receive reports on the bills from the Bureau of Reclamation. Will meet again next Wednesday (June 29) on H. R. 4308, regarding desert-land entryman rights; and H. R. 102, regarding general repayment contract obligations for new reclamation projects.

RIVERS—FLAMMABLES—OIL COMPACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2866, to declare a section of the Acushnet River in New Bedford, Fairhaven, and Acushnet, Mass., nonnavigable;

H. R. 5222, to exempt from the Flammable Fabrics Act "scarves made of plain surface fabrics";

S. 928, amended, to amend the Water Pollution Contract Act to provide for the control of air pollution;

S. 1250, amended, to declare a part of Pike Creek in Kenosha, Wis., a nonnavigable stream;

S. 1469, to declare a portion of the waterway at Bridgeport, Conn., known as the west branch of Cedar Creek, a nonnavigable stream; and

S. J. Res. 38, amended, to give the consent of Congress to an extension and renewal for a period of 4 years from September 1, 1955, of the Interstate Compact To Conserve Oil and Gas which was signed February 16, 1935, at Dallas, Tex.

SEDITIOUS CONSPIRACY—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 2854, increasing the criminal penalty for seditious conspiracy, advocating the overthrow of the Government, and conspiracy to advocate overthrow of the Government. Also ordered reported were four private immigration bills of the House.

In a hearing on H. R. 2854 and H. R. 3883 (a similar bill) the subcommittee heard testimony from William S. Tompkins, Assistant Attorney General.

Also held a hearing on H. R. 5061, to establish a commission of five members to be known as the Attorney General's Commission on International Rules of Judicial Procedure. Heard on this measure was J. Lee Rankin, Assistant Attorney General.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered 2 private claim bills reported favorably to the full committee, and reported adversely on 3 others.

STOLEN VEHICLES—PRESIDENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 3702, amended, to extend punishment for the transportation of stolen motor vehicles in interstate or foreign commerce to tractors, commercial truck trailers, and truck semitrailers. In a hearing on the bill, testimony was received from Rex A. Collings, Chief, General Crime Section, and Marvin H. Halter, both of the Department of Justice; and Edward M. Welliver and James S. Fort, representing the American Trucking Associations.

Also considered H. R. 3886, to create the office of Senator at Large in the Senate for former Presidents of the United States. Heard on this proposal were Representative Chelf, author of the bill, and Harold C. Miller, administrative assistant to Senator Kilgore.

BANKRUPTCY—EXECUTIVE OFFICES—PRISONERS OF WAR

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—H. J. Res. 273, to establish a commission for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt; H. R. 256, amended, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to the priority of debts owed by a bankrupt to workmen, servants, clerks, and certain salesmen; H. R. 6621, to amend U. S. Code, so as to provide penalties for threats against the Vice President-elect and to authorize Secret Service protection for the Vice President-elect; and H. R. 6871, to continue the effectiveness of the act of December 2, 1942, and the act of July 28, 1945, relating to war-risk hazard and detention benefits, until July 1, 1956.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued discussion of present-day problems of the American merchant marine, with particular reference to its labor and management problems. Meeting with the committee today was J. Paul St. Sure, president of the Pacific Maritime Association. Recessed until tomorrow when Maritime Administrator Clarence G. Morse will resume testimony on the subject, which he started at Monday's hearings.

VESSEL SALE, PHILIPPINES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House, with amendments, S. J. Res. 67, to authorize the sale, by the Secretary of Commerce, of five specified vessels to certain citizens of the Philippines for use in interisland commerce.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' ANNUITIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee completed a hearing today on H. R. 3687, and similar bills, which would permit inclusion, at the election of an employee for computing the amount of annuity of service (5 or more years) rendered as a State employee in carrying out educational, agricultural, etc., functions which are financed, at least partly, by Federal funds. Witnesses heard on the proposal were Representative Lankford, of Maryland; Dillard B. Lasseter, executive officer, Organization of Professional Employees, Department of Agriculture; Dr. Stanley B. Fracker, Assistant Director, Plant Pest Control Branch, Agriculture Research, Department of Agriculture; C. L. Dorson, secretary-treasurer, Retirement Federation of Civil Service Employees; John McCart, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; John Martiny, legislative attorney, General Accounting Office; and Andrew E. Ruddock, Chief of the Retirement Division, and Warren Irons, Director, Bureau of Departmental Operations, Civil Service Commission.

A statement in favor of the legislation was presented by Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council (AFL).

MARINE BASE SCHOOLS—CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION—INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 3253, to provide for continued operation of certain schools on Marine Corps installations. Heard in support of the legislation were Representatives Barden, McConnell, and Holt.

Also granted a closed rule, providing for 2 hours of debate, on H. R. 6040, the Customs Simplification Act of 1955. The rule will permit no amendment to be in order except such amendments as are directed by the Committee on Ways and Means. Speaking on behalf of this measure were Representatives Cooper and Jenkins, while opposition testimony was presented by Representatives Simpson and Bailey.

Two resolutions (H. Res. 144 and 266) were ordered reported to the House, authorizing jurisdictional investigations to be made by the Committees on Public Works and Agriculture, respectively.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Began executive consideration of proposed revisions of the social security law relating to old-age and survivors insurance. Chairman Cooper stated that he has planned to submit, for committee consideration, proposals which would provide disability insurance benefits to persons working in covered occupations, lower from 65 to 62 years the age at which women beneficiaries may qualify for benefits, and the payment of benefits to disabled children age 18 and over. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee resumed executive marking up of proposed legislation to furnish benefits provided under Federal law for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Recessed until Friday afternoon.

ALUMINUM

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 3 held a public meeting in connection with its study of national aluminum shortages. Chairman Yates stated that the purpose of the session was to bring primary producers together with the other segments of the aluminum industry in order to work out a program of equitable distribution. Government officials who appeared were Arthur S. Flemming, Director, Office of Defense Mobilization; Edmund F. Mansure, Administrator, General Services Administration; and Lothair Teetor, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Domestic Affairs, along with representatives of the aluminum industry.

Joint Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAMS

Joint meeting: Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry and House Committee on Agriculture met jointly with representatives of the National Association of TV & Radio Farm Directors for a general discussion of farm programs.

SECURITY CLEARANCES

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Security met in executive session to discuss matters pertaining to security clearances, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

EXTENSION OF SELECTIVE SERVICE AND DOCTORS DRAFT

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act, the Dependents Assistance Act, and the Doctors Draft Act. As approved by the conferees, the bill, among other things, would (1) extend the Doctors Draft Act for 2 years to July 1, 1957, (2) extend the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years to July 1, 1959, (3) extend the $100 monthly special pay for physicians, dentists, and veterinarians for 4 years to July 1, 1959, and (4) extend induction authority for regular registrants for 4 years to July 1, 1959.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By 4 yeas to 77 nays, Senate rejected resolution respecting Communist-controlled nations, and also passed bill on subsistence and mileage expenses.

House passed bills on customs simplification, pension increase for Medal of Honor holders, and adopted conference report on Independent Offices appropriations.

Senate committees approved miscellaneous bills.

Mutual Security Act of 1955 approved by House Committee on Foreign Affairs. Miscellaneous veterans' bills and Housing Act amendments also approved.

Conferees agreed to file reports on bills on Government employees' pay increase and general Government matters appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 11 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2288–S. 2298; S. J. Res. 82.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 609, to provide rewards for information concerning illegal introduction into or manufacture in the U. S. of special nuclear material and atomic weapons, with an amendment (S. Rept. 622);

H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia, with amendments (S. Rept. 623);

S. 636, to revise the Federal election laws and to prevent corrupt practices in Federal elections, with amendments, together with minority views (S. Rept. 624);

S. 48, to provide for the disqualification of certain former D. C. officers and employees in matters connected with former duties (S. Rept. 625);

H. R. 1825, creating a Federal Commission to formulate plans for the construction in D. C. of a civic auditorium, with amendments (S. Rept. 626);

S. 1739, to authorize D. C. Commissioners to fix rates of compensation of members of certain examining and licensing boards and commissions (S. Rept. 627);

S. 1741, to exempt from taxation certain property of the Jewish War Veterans in the D. C. (S. Rept. 628);

S. 2176, to repeal requirement that public utilities in D. C. must submit annual reports to Congress (S. Rept. 629);

S. 2177, to repeal the prohibition against declaration of stock dividends by public utilities in D. C., with amendment (S. Rept. 630);

S. 665, to revive section 3 of the D. C. Public School Food Services Act regarding employee benefits (S. Rept. 631);

S. 666, to extend the period of authorization of appropriations for hospital center and facilities in the D. C. (S. Rept. 632);

S. 1275, authorizing D. C. Commissioners to designate employees to protect D. C. property, with amendment (S. Rept. 633);

S. 182, requiring premarital examination of all applicants for marriage licenses in D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 634); and

Minority views on S. 1713, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands (pt. 2 of S. Rept. 554).

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Bills Referred: 21 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 8961–8962

Bill Re-referred: Committee on Public Works was discharged from further consideration of S. 2188, to amend the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act, and the bill was re-referred to Committee on Agriculture and Forestry. Pages 8924–8925

General Government Appropriations: Senator Hayden was appointed as an additional conferee on H. R. 6499, general Government matters appropriation bill for fiscal 1956. Page 8925

Scorpions: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 35, to permit the shipment by mail of live scorpions, clearing the bill for the President. Page 8927

Subsistence and Mileage Expenses: Senate took from desk and passed H. R. 6295, to increase per diem and subsistence allowance of Federal employees from $9 to $12 per day, and auto allowance from 7 to 10 cents per mile, in such a form as to conform to the Senate-passed version of S. 1580, a similar bill; insisted on its amendments; asked for a conference with the House; and appointed as conferees Senators Johnston (South Carolina), Neely, and Carlson. Pages 8927–8928

Communist-Controlled Nations: By 4 yeas to 77 nays, Senate rejected S. Res. 116, declaring it to be the sense of the Senate that the Secretary of State should secure the agreement of the Soviet Union, the United Kingdom, and France that the disposition of the nations of Eastern Europe and of Asia now under Communist control shall be a subject of discussion at conference between the heads of state.

Prior to this action, Senate rejected by voice votes Jenner motion to recommit the resolution to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and a modified McCarthy amendment in the nature of a substitute for the resolution (the modification consisting of acceptance by him of a Jenner amendment in the nature of a substitute for the McCarthy substitute amendment). Pages 8933–8960

National Banks: Senate made its pending business S. 256, cumulative voting of stock in election of national bank association directors. Page 8962

Private Bill: Senate agreed to House request for return of its message on H. R. 4249, a private bill. Page 8969

Treaties Received: Senate received the following two treaties, which were referred to Committee on Foreign Relations: Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation Between U. S. and Haiti, together with protocol and exchange of notes relating thereto, signed March 3, 1955, and the notes on April 11 and 25, 1955, at Port-au-Prince (Exec. H, 84th Cong., 1st sess.); and protocol signed June 15, 1955, supplementing Convention Between U. S. and Netherlands with respect to income and certain other taxes for purpose of facilitating extension to Netherlands Antilles (Exec. I, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). Page 8914

Confirmations: 54 postmaster nominations were confirmed. Page 8970

Nominations: The nomination of Wilber M. Brucker, of Michigan, to be Secretary of the Army, was received, along with 1 judicial nomination, 51 Air Force nominations, and withdrawal of 2 postmasters. Pages 8969–8970

Recess: Recessed at 5:30 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm price support programs, with testimony from Walter F. McCaleb, Jr., chairman, legislative committee, Vegetable Growers' Association, Belle Haven, Va. Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia. As approved by the committee, the bill would provide total funds of $169,456,749, an increase of $2,554,969 over the House-passed figure of $166,901,780.

Prior to this action, the subcommittee ordered the bill reported to the full committee with amendments.

D. C. BILLS APPROVED

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—S. 1739, to authorize D. C. Commissioners to fix rates of compensation of members of certain examining and licensing boards and commissions; S. 1741, to exempt from taxation certain property of the Jewish War Veterans in the D. C.; S. 2176, to repeal requirement that public utilities in D. C. must submit annual reports to Congress; S. 665, to revive section 3 of the D. C. Public School Food Services Act regarding employee benefits; S. 666, to extend the period of authorization of appropriations for the hospital center and facilities in the D. C.; H. R. 1825, creating a Federal Commission to formulate plans for the construction in D. C. of a civic auditorium; and S. 48, to provide for the disqualification of certain former D. C. officers and employees in matters connected with former duties;

With amendments—S. 182, requiring premarital examination of all applicants for marriage licenses in D. C.; and S. 1835, to amend the D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act; and

With an amendment—S. 2177, to repeal the prohibition against declaration of stock dividends by public

utilities in D. C.; and S. 1275, authorizing D. C. Commissioners to designate employees to protect D. C. property.

Also, the committee referred back to subcommittee H. R. 6063, to exempt certain House-Senate employees from D. C. motor-vehicle registration requirements and operators' licenses when they prove legal residence in some State.

RED WILLOW DAM AND VENTURA PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings, as follows:

On S. 1194, to authorize construction of Red Willow Dam and Reservoir, Nebr., with testimony favoring the bill by Senators Curtis and Hruska; N. B. Bennett, Bureau of Reclamation; and Carter Page, Corps of Engineers, Army; and

On S. 926, to authorize construction of Ventura River reclamation project, California, with testimony favoring the bill from Representative Teague (California); W. A. Dexheimer, Commissioner of Reclamation; John Hamilton, planning engineer, Reclamation Bureau, Sacramento; George Purvis, president, Ventura Municipal District, California; and Neil Ensch, a farmer of Ventura.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendment S. 1855, to amend the Federal Airport Act, and S. 756, to provide that the U. S. shall aid the States in wildlife restoration projects.

The committee also considered, but took no action on, S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act (and other related bills), and will meet again in executive session on Tuesday, June 28, to consider this matter.

It was also announced that the Aviation Subcommittee will begin hearings in the near future on Washington, D. C., area airport facilities.

TRIP LEASING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation continued its hearings on S. 898, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act with respect to the authority of the ICC to regulate the use by motor carriers of motor vehicles not owned by them, with testimony favoring the proposed legislation from Earl W. Love, Agriculture Department, and Herbert K. Hyde, Frank L. Barton, and F. W. Denniston, all of GSA. Testimony in opposition to the bill was heard from ICC Commissioner Hugh W. Cross; former Senator Burton K. Wheeler, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers Union of America; Sidney Alterman, Alterman Transport Lines, Inc., Miami; and Frederick F. Lorden, of Seattle, representing Washington Motor Transport Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Railroad Retirement held hearings on S. 1589, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act with regard to Annuities. Testimony favoring enactment of this bill was heard from Horace W. Harper, member, Railroad Retirement Board, and Lester P. Schoene, member of law firm of Schoene & Kramer, appearing on behalf of all standard railway labor organizations. Testimony opposing the proposed legislation was heard from Raymond J. Kelly, Chairman, and F. C. Squire, member, both of the Railroad Retirement Board. Testimony was also heard from Walter Matscheck, Director of Research, Railroad Retirement Board, who appeared before the subcommittee to answer questions. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

SENATE RESTAURANT CONTRACT

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on the Senate restaurant met again in executive session for the consideration of renewal of the Senate restaurant contract, but came to no conclusion and recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H. R. 6956–6981; 9 private bills, H. R. 6982–6990; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 353–356 and H. Res. 283–285, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 391, to broaden Commissioners' powers relative to bonding of officers and employees of the D. C. government (H. Rept. 876);

H. R. 1614, to increase compensation for certain service-connected disabled veterans (H. Rept. 877);

H. R. 1617, automatic waiver of insurance premiums for certain veterans (H. Rept. 878);

H. R. 1619, continuance of national service life insurance within 120 days after discharge, amended (H. Rept. 879);

H. R. 1821, forwarding of Veterans' Administration benefit checks (H. Rept. 880);

H. R. 4006, 12-month postponement of reduction formula applicable to institutional on-farm training (H. Rept. 881);

H. R. 4225, authorizing transfer of certain property of the United States to the city of Little Rock, Ark., amended (H. Rept. 882);

H. R. 4727, to permit delivery of burial flag to friend in absence of next of kin, amended (H. Rept. 883);

H. R. 4946, limitation on application for unemployment compensation, amended (H. Rept. 884);

H. R. 5792, extension of time for applying for mustering-out payments (H. Rept. 885);

H. R. 5852, to extend the period of authorization of appropriations for the hospital center and facilities in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 886);

H. R. 5892, to authorize officers and members of the D. C. Metropolitan Police Force and of the Fire Department voluntarily to perform certain services on their time off from regular duty and be compensated therefor (H. Rept. 887);

H. R. 5893, employment of retired military personnel in Federal civil service (H. Rept. 888);

H. R. 6259, to amend section 8 of the act approved June 4, 1948, relative to certain expense authorizations being advanced to the D. C. Armory Board (H. Rept. 889);

H. R. 6419, redefining "stepchild" and "stepfather" under the Servicemen's Indemnity Act of 1951, amended (H. Rept. 890);

H. R. 6574, to provide that owners or sellers of motor vehicles or trailers may transfer D. C. tags for unexpired term at fee cost of $1 (H. Rept. 891);

H. R. 6585, to amend D. C. law relative to disposition of cases where an accused person of unsound mind or mental incompetency is unable to understand the proceedings against him or properly to assist in his defense (H. Rept. 892);

H. R. 6727, transfer of land to city of Milwaukee, Wis., amended (H. Rept. 893);

H. R. 6796, transfer of land to the city of Clarksburg, W. Va. (H. Rept. 894);

H. R. 6832, to provide for payment of attorney fees by insured in a suit brought by him or in his behalf during his lifetime for waiver of premiums on account of total disability (H. Rept. 895);

H. R. 5853, to amend the act of 1907 relative to regulating the practice of veterinary medicine in the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 896);

H. Con. Res. 149, expressing the sense of Congress on the maintenance of traditional United States policy in opposition to colonialism and Communist imperialism (H. Rept. 897);

H. Res. 283, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 6795, to authorize appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission for acquisition or condemnation of real property or any facilities or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion (H. Rept. 898);

S. J. Res. 67, authorizing the sale of certain vessels to Philippine citizens and to provide for the rehabilitation of the interisland commerce, amended (H. Rept. 899); and

Conference report on H. R. 6499, making appropriations for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 900). Pages 8971–8972, 9034

Private Bills: H. R. 1085, 1660, and 947, three private bills, were cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. Pages 8971–8972

Labor-HEW Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5046, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies, for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Fogarty, Fernandez, Lanham, Denton, Cannon, Taber, Hand, and Jensen. Page 8971

General Agencies Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6499, making appropriations for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Andrews, Mahon, Sheppard, Gary, Rabaut, Shelley, Cannon, Fenton, Coudert, Wilson of Indiana, James, and Taber to serve as conferees. Page 8971

Independent Offices Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 5240, the independent offices appropriation bill for fiscal year 1956, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Amendments Nos. 1, 50, and 53 were in disagreement, and on which the House receded and concurred in amendments Nos. 1 and 50. On amendment No. 53 the House receded and concurred with a further amendment. Pages 8972–8976

Agriculture Investigation: By a voice vote the House adopted H. Res. 266, to authorize the Committee on Agriculture to make investigations into certain matters within its jurisdiction. Pages 8976–8977, 8977–8978

Customs Simplification: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 6040, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the customs laws. A motion to recommit the bill was rejected by a rollcall vote of 143 yeas to 232 nays. The bill, in addition to repealing a number of obsolete provisions, would provide improved procedures for the valuation of imports and the conversion of foreign currency into dollars for the purpose of assessing customs duties.

H. Res. 282, the closed rule for the consideration of the bill, was adopted earlier by a voice vote.

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Medal of Honor Holders: Passed, by a voice vote, H. R. 735, to increase the rate of special pension payable to certain persons awarded the Medal of Honor, after adopting a committee substitute amendment. The substitute amendment deletes the age requirement of 65 years and increases the pension from $10 to $100 per month. Also adopted an amendment that provides all holders of the Medal of Honor will receive special pension regardless of retirement or active service status.

H. Res. 274, the rule making in order the consideration of the bill, had been adopted previously.

Pages 8996–8998, 8998–9001

Duty-Free GI Gifts: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooper, Dingell, Mills, Jenkins, and Simpson of Pennsylvania. Page 8998

Vessels Sale—Philippines: Adopted clarifying amendments and passed S. J. Res. 67, authorizing sale of certain vessels to Philippine citizens and to provide for the rehabilitation of interisland commerce.

Pages 9001–9002

Bill Referred: S. 1894, to provide for U. S. participation in the International Finance Corporation, was referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:13 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Representatives of Federal departments testified at today's opening session to review sugar legislation pending before the committee. Witnesses heard were Lawrence Myers, Director, Sugar Division, Commodity Stabilization Service; Henry F. Holland, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs; Floyd Dominy, Bureau of Reclamation; and William A. Arnold, Assistant Director, Office of Territories, Department of the Interior. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning when departmental officials are again scheduled to testify.

NATIONAL RESERVE PLAN

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee began consideration today on H. R. 6900, a newly introduced bill designed to strengthen the Armed Forces Reserve. Meeting with the group for a section-by-section reading of the proposal was Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Manpower and Personnel. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

TRAVEL AND STORAGE EXPENSES

Committee on Armed Services: The Kilday subcommittee ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—H. R. 6600, amended, to amend section 303 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949, to authorize travel and transportation allowances, and transportation of dependents and of baggage and household effects to the homes of their selection, for certain members of the uniformed services; and H. R. 6277, to amend subsection 303 (c) of the same act relating to transportation and storage of household goods of military personnel on permanent change of station.

Testifying on H. R. 6600 was Lt. Col. Joseph Marshall, Chief, Regulations Branch, Advisory Services Division, Office of the Chief of Finance, Department of the Army; while the witness on H. R. 6277 was Col. George R. Russell, Chief, General Traffic Division, Office of the Chief of Transportation, Department of the Army.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 5827 and S. 2126, the Housing Amendments of 1955. Took the following action at today's session—

Retained $3,000 maximum home-improvement loan as provided in the Senate bill;

Amended the act, reducing the 6-month occupant requirement for a home-improvement loan to 2 months;

Struck out provisions authorizing insured loans for trailer parks;

Provided FHA loans, but not grants, for redevelopment of urban areas for predominantly nonresidential uses; and

Struck out public-housing provisions in Senate bill, and substituted authorization for 35,000 units for 1956 and 1957 as contained in H. R. 5827.

Recessed until tomorrow morning.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Representatives of the American Pulpwood Association testified today in connection with the committee's hearings on proposed increases of the national hourly minimum wage standards. Witnesses heard were R. E. Canfield, counsel of the association; High Wilcox, of Mississippi; H. E. Marshall, of Pennsylvania; and Joseph Carlson, of Michigan. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee today heard sponsors of pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local educa-

tional agencies in the areas affected by Federal activities. Members of Congress who testified were Representatives Riley and Thornberry. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon.

RURAL LIBRARY SERVICE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Landrum subcommittee on bills to promote the further development of public library service in rural areas held an executive discussion today.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Approved S. 2090, the Mutual Security Act of 1955. Chairman Richards, after conclusion of today's action, stated that the following amendments pertaining to amounts were adopted—

1. Military assistance was reduced from $1,278 million to $1,133 million, a reduction of $145 million.

2. Defense support for Europe was increased from $70 million to $92 million with the requirement that $50 million is to be made available for assistance to Spain.

3. The authorization for the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration, which is already authorized in last year's law and which continues available, was stricken from the bill as unnecessary. The reduction therefore was $12,500,000.

4. For the same reason, the authorization for the civilian administrative expenses for NATO was stricken. The reduction was $3,700,000.

(The net changes make a cut of $139,200,000.)

Additional actions approved were—

1. Administrative costs of direct forces support can now be paid from military assistance administrative funds, because the function of direct forces support is being transferred to the Department of Defense from FOA.

2. An amendment to give the President discretion to disregard the requirements for agreements in his administration of assistance to countries in Asia in certain cases.

3. The committee reduced the required figure for the use of agricultural surplus from the $300 million in the Senate bill to $250 million as requested by the executive branch.

4. In the President's Fund for Asian Economic Development, the word "friendly" was inserted in two instances as applying to the governments which are eligible to receive assistance.

5. The committee removed the $3 million ceiling on appropriation as our annual contribution to the World Health Organization. It substituted an authorization permitting United States contributions after 1958 not to exceed one-third of the total assessments of active members of the Organization for such fiscal year.

6. An amendment to permit the establishment of the Joint Committee on Rural Development in the Republic of the Philippines, authorizing up to 10 percent of the Philippine funds for that purpose.

7. The committee adopted another amendment requiring that the amount of defense support assistance for Greece for fiscal year 1956 shall be not less than that made available for fiscal year 1955 for that purpose.

8. The committee adopted an amendment declaring it the sense of the Congress that Communist China should not be seated in the United Nations.

9. The committee added to the statement of congressional policy a section stating that assistance under this act shall only be furnished so as to support other peoples in their efforts to achieve self-government or independence.

10. Another amendment adopted eliminates the 50–50 shipping clause from the transport of agricultural commodities not only under this act, but also under Public Law 480, the Surplus Agricultural Disposal Act.

11. The committee extended for 1 year the law permitting free import privileges for personal and household effects brought into the United States by Government employees returning from foreign assignment.

12. Adopted an amendment expressing the sense of the Congress that the recipient nations share "to a greater extent" with the United States the financial burden of providing aid, was adopted.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to formally report the bill to the House.

AIR FORCE SURPLUS DISPOSAL

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Military Operations discussed disposal of surplus property by the Air Force today with Brig. Gen. Richard J. O'Keefe, Deputy Director of Supply and Service, U. S. Air Force Headquarters. He was accompanied by representatives of his staff. Recessed until tomorrow when officials of the Department of the Army will also meet on the subject of surplus disposal.

GOVERNMENT LENDING AGENCIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization held further public hearings today regarding the approach made by the Hoover Commission's task force relative to its study of Federal lending agencies. Allan Oakley Hunter, General Counsel, Housing and Home Finance Agency, completed the testimony he started at yesterday's session. Other witnesses heard today were a representative appearing for Wendell B. Barnes, Small Business Administrator; Arthur T. Esgate, Acting Governor, Farm Credit Administration; Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Veterans' Administrator; Dr. William L. C. Wheaton, first vice president, National Housing Conference; John A. Baker and Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; Miles D. Kennedy, legislative director, American Legion; and George J. Burger, National Federation of Independent Business. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

AUTOMOBILE RENTALS

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources held further hearings today regarding its study of contracts for rental of automobiles by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Owen Kane, legislative attorney, General Accounting Office, completed the statement he started yesterday. Other witnesses were Richard Heather and John Lally, representing the automobile leasing firm of Peterson, Howell, & Heather, Baltimore, Md. Before adjourning

until next Tuesday the subcommittee heard testimony from Glenn L. Emmons, Commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

PRINTING RESOLUTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered reported to the House H. Res. 279, to authorize the printing of 3,500 additional copies of hearings regarding Communist Activities in the Fort Wayne (Ind.) Area; and H. Con. Res. 148, authorizing the printing of 25,000 copies of the hearings held by the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on May 9, 1955, on Radiation Sterilization of Foods.

MINE DRAINAGE—COAL LAND ENTRIES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee met executively on H. R. 6818 and related bills, providing for a temporary measure of fuel control and anthracite-mine drainage.

Also held public hearings on H. R. 6471, to provide for entry and location on discovery of a valuable source of material, upon public lands of the United States classified as or known to be valuable for coal. Witnesses heard on this subject were Representative Thomson of Wyoming; Clarence Bradshaw, Acting Assistant Solicitor, Department of Agriculture; and Charles W. Tully, Special Assistant to Director, Division of Raw Material, Atomic Energy Commission. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ALASKAN LEGISLATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 65, redefining territory limits of division No. 2 for the Federal District Court of Alaska; H. R. 605, to abolish a reserved space between claims and the shore waters in Alaska; H. R. 896, 897, 898, 902, 904, 905, and 910, all private bills; H. R. 4047, relating to construction of public recreation area facilities in Alaska; H. R. 4096, providing for disposal of certain public lands in Alaska subject to appropriate easements.

Also approved H. R. 6692, as amended, to authorize transfer to the Department of Agriculture, for agricultural purposes, certain real property in St. Croix, V. I.

Departmental witnesses testifying were Fred Weiler, assistant lands officer, Bureau of Land Management; Jackson Price, attorney, National Park Service; Kirkley Coulter, Assistant Director for Alaskan Affairs, Office of Territories; Lewis Sigler, attorney, Solicitor's Office, Department of the Interior; and Dr. E. C. Elting, Deputy Administrator, Agricultural Research Bureau, Department of Agriculture. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

POLIO VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Health and Science in connection with its study of H. R. 6286, the administration's poliomyelitis vaccination assistance bill, met today with Dr. John R. Paul, of the Yale University School of Medicine, who acted as impartial chairman of a panel of scientists. Chairman Priest stated that the panel was chosen to discuss the scientific problems involved in this legislation, which is designed to defray the costs of poliomyelitis vaccine to be used in the vaccination of a substantial portion of our child population, and possibly other priority groups. The following panelists attended—Dr. Daniel Bergsma, New Jersey State commissioner of health, and vice president, Association of State & Territorial Health Officers; Dr. John F. Enders, the Children's Hospital, Boston, Mass.; Dr. Thomas Francis, Jr., School of Public Health, University of Michigan; Dr. Horace L. Hodes, pediatrician-in-chief, Mount Sinai Hospital, New York City, and member, committee on the control of infectious diseases, American Academy of Pediatrics; Dr. Frank L. Horsfall, Jr., Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, New York City; Dr. Colin MacLeod, Bellevue Medical Center, New York University, New York City; Dr. Manfred M. Mayer, School of Hygiene and Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.; Dr. Julian P. Price, member, board of trustees, American Medical Association; Dr. Thomas M. Rivers, Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research, New York City; Dr. Albert B. Sabin, the Children's Hospital Research Foundation, Cincinnati, Ohio; Dr. Jonas E. Salk, Virus Research Laboratory, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dr. James A. Shannon, Associate Director, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md.; Dr. Joseph E. Smadel, Army Medical Services Graduate School, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D. C.; and Dr. Wendell M. Stanley, Biochemistry and Virus Laboratory, University of California at Berkeley.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when the panel members are scheduled to continue on the subject.

COMMUNICATION GRANTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications received testimony today on H. R. 5614, to require that protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing show that the grant was improperly made or would otherwise not be in the public interest (amending the Communications Act of 1934). Speaking in support of the proposal was Ervin F. Lyke, of station WVET and WVET-TV, Rochester, N. Y.; while opposition was expressed by Benedict P. Cottone, attorney, of Washington, D. C. Another witness, who suggested amendments and revisions to the proposal, was Henry

G. Fischer, chairman of the legislative committee, Federal Communications Bar Association, Washington, D. C. Recessed until Friday when officials of the Federal Communications Commission are scheduled to testify.

APPELLATE REVIEW—PERJURY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 held hearings on H. R. 4930 and 4932, to provide for appellate review in every criminal case in which a mandatory sentence is not fixed by law, on the ground that the sentence, though within legal limits, is excessive; and H. R. 799 and 5264, to extend the U. S. criminal law relating to perjury to the willful giving of contradictory statements under oath. Testimony was received from Representative Keating, author of H. R. 4930 and 799.

Witnesses also heard on H. R. 799 and 5264 were Representative Reed of Illinois, author of H. R. 5264; and Rex A. Collings and James Knapp, both of the Criminal Division, Department of Justice. A statement for the record was also filed on this subject by the National Lawyers Guild.

U. S. CODE AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered reported to the full committee, both with perfecting amendments, H. R. 6366, to revise and codify titles 10 and 32 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Armed Forces" and "National Guard"; and H. R. 6446, to revise and codify title 21 of U. S. Code entitled "Food, Drugs, and Cosmetics." Received testimony on H. R. 6366 from two officials of the Department of Defense—Gov. Wilber M. Brucker, General Counsel, and F. Reed Dickerson, Chief of the Codification Section.

WIRETAPPING—JUDGES—SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—

H. R. 4513 (with an amendment in the nature of a substitute), to prohibit wiretapping except by a court-authorized Federal officer engaged in the investigation of crimes against the security of the United States;

H. R. 4792, to amend the U. S. Code, relating to resignation and retirement of judges;

H. R. 6248, to provide for the maintenance of a roster of retired judges available for special judicial duty and for their assignment to such duty by the Chief Justice of the United States; and

H. J. Res. 157, establishing a Commission on Government Security.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Clarence G. Moss, Maritime Administrator, resumed his testimony today in connection with the committee's study of shipping industry labor costs used in computing operating subsidies. Also testifying was Ben Grill, a member of the Federal Maritime Board. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the witnesses will be representatives of the west coast shipping industry.

SUBVERSIVES IN GOVERNMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Tumulty subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 6590, to prohibit the employment by the Federal Government of persons who are disloyal or who believe in the right to strike against the Government. Testimony on the proposal was received today from Representative Bennett of Florida, author of the bill; George M. Moore, Commissioner, and Lawrence V. Meloy, Assistant General Counsel, of the Civil Service Commission; Harold Koffsky, attorney, Internal Security Division, Department of Justice; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council, AFL; John McCart, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; Ross Messer, legislative representative, National Association of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees; and Warren Bledsoe, president, National Association of Rural Letter Carriers.

Statements for the record were submitted on behalf of Jerome Keating, vice president, National Association of Letter Carriers; Austin Latimer, legislative attorney, National Association of Postmasters; Luther Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees; and Samuel E. Klein, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks.

RIVERS AND HARBORS—LAKE MICHIGAN

Committee on Public Works: The Blatnik subcommittee ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—

H. R. 3210, to authorize the State of Illinois and the Sanitary District of Chicago under the direction of the Secretary of the Army, to test on a 3-year basis the effect of increasing the diversion of water from Lake Michigan into the Illinois Waterway;

H. R. 3675, to authorize the conveyance by quitclaim deed of certain land to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex.;

H. R. 4734, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to reimburse local interests for work done on a dredging project at Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors, Calif.;

H. R. 6417, to revive and reenact the relating construction and operation of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Friar Point, Miss., and Helena, Ark. (approved May 17, 1939); and

H. R. 6641, to modify the project for the Denison Reservoir on Red River in Texas and Oklahoma in order to provide for a highway bridge across Lake Texoma.

Also approved for full committee consideration 13 miscellaneous river and harbor review resolutions.

ATOMIC ENERGY—NATURAL GAS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 6795, the Atomic Energy Commission appropriation authorization. Testimony on the subject was received from Representatives Durham, Cole, and Hinshaw.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 267, to authorize the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to study certain matters relating to the transportation distribution of natural gas. Witnesses heard in support of this subject were Representatives Harris (author of the resolution), Wolverton, Dies, Hinshaw, O'Hara of Minnesota, Hale, Rogers of Texas, Vanik, Yates, and Heselton. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to consider a rule on H. R. 6829, the military public works bill.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4225, to transfer a tract of land to the city of North Little Rock, Ark., with clarifying amendments;

H. R. 6727, to transfer a tract of land to Milwaukee, Wis., with clarifying amendment;

H. R. 6796, to transfer a tract of land to Clarksburg, W. Va.;

H. R. 4006, to postpone for the first 12 months the reduction formula now applicable to the educational allowance to veterans taking on-farm training;

H. R. 1821, to permit the forwarding of Veterans' Administration benefit checks;

H. R. 4727, to permit the issuance of a flag to a friend or associate where the next of kin does not claim it, with amendment providing that where the flag is once given, the donation shall be final;

H. R. 4946, to place a 3-year limitation on application for unemployment compensation for Korean veterans, with an amendment striking subsection (b) of the bill;

H. R. 5792 extends until July 16, 1956, the time which a Korean veteran has to apply for mustering-out payment;

H. R. 1617 provides an automatic waiver of premium for insurance purposes for certain prisoners of war;

H. R. 1619 provides for the automatic renewal of certain term insurance of people in the service within 120 days after their discharge;

H. R. 6419, to redefine the terms "stepchild" and "stepparent" under the Servicemen's Indemnity Act.

H. R. 6832, to provide for a reasonable attorney's fee for suit brought on an insurance contract;

H. R. 1614, to seek to provide the statutory award rate of $47 for each loss or loss of the use of a hand, foot, an eye, or a creative organ; and

H. R. 5893 permits retired personnel of World War I, World War II, or Korea to receive military retirement and Federal civilian pay not to exceed $10,000.

A bill, H. R. 6100, to permit a court order change of beneficiary in an insurance contract in cases where the insured is mentally incompetent, was passed over without objection.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive study of proposed revisions of the social security law relating to old-age and survivors' insurance. The committee is considering proposals which would provide disability insurance benefits to persons working in covered occupation, lower from 65 to 62 years the age at which women beneficiaries may qualify for benefits, and the payment of benefits to disabled children age 18 and over. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMS FOR PEACE CONFERENCE

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session to receive a progress report on the Atoms for Peace Conference to be held in Geneva.

APPROPRIATIONS—GENERAL GOVERNMENT MATTERS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 6499, general Government matters appropriation bill for fiscal 1956.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' PAY RAISE

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government. As agreed by the conferees, the bill would—

(1) Provide a 7.5-percent increase retroactive to March 1, 1955;

(2) Increase by $5 each the figures in the House-passed bill in grades Nos. 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 11, and 13;

(3) Include all classified employees in the executive branch of the Government, including the D. C. Government, and all legislative and judicial employees; and

(4) Increase the total cost of the bill to the Government to $328,383,000.

Thursday, June 23, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared Federal employees' pay raise and general Government appropriation bills for President.

Senate cleared for President bills on independent offices appropriations, and vessels sale to Philippines, and passed bills on national bank associations, D. C. appropriations, and savings and loan associations.

House adopted anticolonialism resolution, and passed bill amending International Claims Settlement Act.

Housing amendments of 1955 approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9055–9063

Bills Introduced: 6 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2299–S. 2304; and S. Con. Res. 44. Pages 9056, 9058–9059

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. 1391, compact between California and Nevada regarding waters of Truckee, Carson, and Walker Rivers, and Lake Tahoe, with amendments (S. Rept. 635). Page 9056

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9055

Bill Re-referred: Committee on Finance was discharged from further consideration of S. J. Res. 19, to provide for more effective control of narcotic drugs, and it was re-referred to Committee on the Judiciary. Page 9058

Independent Offices Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 5240, fiscal 1956 appropriations for independent offices, agreeing to House amendment to Senate amendment No. 53 respecting payment of compensation to officers who allocate civil-service positions with requirement for maximum age.

These actions clear the bill for the President. Pages 9063–9065

D. C. Appropriations: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia, after adopting all committee amendments, one with an amendment by Senator Case (South Dakota) providing that authorized bridge for central area may cross the small island south of Theodore Roosevelt Island if the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial Association approves by August 1, 1955.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference with the House, and appointed as conferees Senators Stennis, McClellan, Holland, Bible, Gore, Dirksen, Young, and Beall. Pages 9066–9068

Government Employees' Pay Raise: Senate adopted conference report on S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government. Pages 9068–9069

Vessel Sale—Philippines: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. J. Res. 67, authorizing sale of certain vessels to Philippine citizens and to provide for the rehabilitation of interisland commerce. This action clears the bill for the President. Page 9069

Land Transfer—Vermont: Senate passed without amendment S. 1585, providing for return to Hartford, Vt., of certain land. Pages 9081–9082

Authority To Report: Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 9079

Savings and Loan Associations: Senate passed S. 972, to provide for regulation of branches established by Federal savings and loan associations, after adopting a number of amendments by Senator Douglas, as follows: 3 amendments respecting establishment and operation of new branches of savings and loan associations, and 2 amendments defining branch savings and loan associations and State banks and trust companies. Pages 9082–9086

National Bank Associations: By 53 yeas to 21 nays, Senate passed without amendments S. 256, cumulative voting of stock in election of national bank association directors. Pages 9063, 9069–9078

General Government Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on, and cleared for President, H. R. 6499, general government matters appropriation bill for fiscal 1956. Pages 9078–9079

D. C. Officers: Senate made its unfinished business S. 48, to provide for the disqualification of certain former D. C. officers and employees in matters connected with former duties. Page 9086

Nomination Rejected: The nomination of Merlin A. Hymel, to be postmaster at Edgard, La., was rejected. Page 9090

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:10 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm price support programs, with testimony from E. M. Norton, secretary of National Milk Producers Federation, and Otie M. Reed, Joint Committee of the National Creameries Association of the American Butter Institute. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction met in executive session to begin the markup on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, but made no announcements. The subcommittee will continue its marking up on Friday at 10 a. m.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization met in executive session and agreed to certain amendments to the Defense Production Act of 1950, including one to extend this act for 2 years. Subcommittee will meet again on this subject on Monday, June 27.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency. Witnesses heard today were Sol Schlesinger, president, Ideal Uniform Cap Co., Freeport, Long Island, N. Y.; David Spatt, an employee of Mr. Schlesinger; Col. Louis Shirley, formerly stationed at the Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot; and Donald K. Wolverton, legal officer at the Philadelphia Quartermaster Depot. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

HELLS CANYON PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee met in executive session for the consideration of S. 1333, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Hells Canyon Dam on Snake River between Idaho and Oregon, and agreed to defer the vote on this bill until some time early in July.

TRIP LEASING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation concluded its hearings on S. 898, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act with respect to the authority of the ICC to regulate the use by motor carriers of motor vehicles not owned by them. Testimony in opposition to the bill was heard from Thomas L. Preston, Association of American Railroads, Washington, D. C.; Carl Helmetag, assistant solicitor, Pennsylvania Railroad Co., Philadelphia; Dale C. Dillon, Contract Carriers Conference, Washington, D. C.; George D. Riley, national legislative committee, AFL; Albert Evans, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers Union of America; and John J. Lane, of Boston, Mass.

Subcommittee announced that the record of these hearings would remain open through Monday, June 27, for the inclusion of additional written statements.

COMMUNIST EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN-LANGUAGE PRESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings into the problems of Communist exploitation of the foreign-language press in the U. S. Today's witness was Sol Almazov Pearl, of New York City, who is a staff writer of the Morning Freiheit, and a former editor of Naileben, the official publication of the ICOR, which has been cited as subversive by both the California and Massachusetts Un-American Activities Committees. The witness refused, on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment), to answer many of the subcommittee's questions, including those regarding his Communist affiliations.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ANTITRUST AND MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its current series of hearings into the economic background of corporate mergers, having as its witnesses L. D. Crusoe, executive vice president, car and truck division, accompanied by William T. Gossett, vice president and general counsel, W. A. Williams, vice president, sales and advertising division, and Theodore Yntema, all of the Ford Motor Co. Hearings continue tomorrow.

LONGSHOREMEN AND HARBOR WORKERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor held hearings on miscellaneous bills to amend the Longshoremen and Harbor Workers Compensation Act regarding compensation payments for disability (S. 594, 1307, 1308, 1646, 2280). Witnesses heard were Senator Morse; Under Secretary of Labor Arthur Larson, accompanied by W. D. Driscoll, Deputy Director, Bureau of Employees Compensation; Walter Mason, legislative representative, AFL; William V. Bradley,

president, International Longshoremen's Association; Capt. G. H. E. Buxton, director, safety bureau, New York Shipping Association, accompanied by H. S. Webb, vice president, T. Hogan & Sons, Inc., and F. P. Adamo, insurance manager of International Terminal Operating Co., Inc.; and Roland W. Davis, vice president, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program continued its hearings, with further testimony today from SBA Administrator Wendell Barnes, who testified and answered questions as to the operations of the security program at the Small Business Administration. Testimony was also heard from Lincoln W. Lauterstein, chairman of the committee on national affairs of the AVC, who testified generally on the Government employees security program. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

HIGHWAYS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Roads held hearings on S. 1577, to enable the State of Connecticut to proceed with its program of highway modernization, and S. 2261, to permit charging of tolls on any section of highway constructed with Federal funds upon repayment of the funds expended thereon, with testimony favoring their enactment from Newman R. Argraves, commissioner of construction, and Arthur C. England, program coordinator, both of Connecticut Highway Department; C. D. Curtiss, Commissioner of Public Roads, and Francis duPont, Special Assistant to the Secretary, both of the Commerce Department.

Subcommittee will hold an executive session on Tuesday, June 28, to consider this proposed legislation.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 11 public bills, H. R. 6991–7001; 5 private bills, H. R. 7002–7006; and 5 resolutions, H. J. Res. 357 and 358, H. Con. Res. 172 and 173, and H. Res. 286, were introduced. Page 9139

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 6901, to provide rewards for information concerning illegal introduction into the United States or illegal manufacture or acquisition in the United States of special nuclear material and atomic weapons (H. Rept. 901);

Conference report on H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years and to extend the Doctors Draft Act for 2 years (H. Rept. 902);

H. Res. 286, providing for the consideration of, and 3 hours of general debate on, H. R. 6829, to authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations (H. Rept. 903);

S. 1718, Reserve Officer Personnel Act amendments (H. Rept. 904);

S. 1300, to declare a certain portion of the waterway at Greenwich, Conn., a nonnavigable stream (H. Rept. 905);

H. R. 6991, to revise, codify, and enact into law title 21, of the United States Code, entitled "Food, Drugs, and Cosmetics" (H. Rept. 906);

S. 1469, declaring the portion of the waterway at Bridgeport, Conn., known as the West Branch of Cedar Creek, a nonnavigable stream (H. Rept. 907);

S. 1250, declaring Pike Creek above the easterly side of the highway bridge at Sixth Avenue in city of Kenosha, Wis., a nonnavigable stream, amended (H. Rept. 908);

H. R. 2866, declaring the waterway (a section of the Acushnet River) north of Coggeshall Street Bridge in Massachusetts a nonnavigable stream, amended (H. Rept. 909);

Conference report on S. 67, to adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government (H. Rept. 910); and

H. J. Res. 157, to establish a Commission on Government Security, amended (H. Rept. 911).

Pages 9099, 9103, 9120–9124, 9138–9139

U. S. Foreign Policy: By a rollcall vote of 367 yeas to no nays the House adopted H. Con. Res. 149, expressing the sense of Congress that the United States in its international relations should maintain its traditional policy in opposition to colonialism and Communist imperialism. Pages 9090–9099

Household Imports: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. R. 5560, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders. Pages 9099–9100

Military Service Wage Credits: Adopted committee amendments and passed H. R. 5936, to provide wage credits under title II of the Social Security Act for military service before April 1, 1956, and to permit application for lump-sum benefits under such title to be made within 2 years after interment or reinterment in the case of servicemen dying overseas before April 1, 1956. This bill provides a 9-month extension of existing law. Pages 9100–9101

State-Justice-Judiciary Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5502, the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies appropriation bill for 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Rooney, Preston, Sikes, Magnuson, Cannon, Coudert, Bow, Clevenger, and Taber. Page 9101

Burma: The calling of a recess on Thursday next was made in order for the purpose of receiving the Prime Minister of Burma. Page 9101

General Agencies Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on, and sent to the Senate, H. R. 6499, making appropriations for the Executive Office of the President and sundry general Government agencies for fiscal year 1956. Amendment No. 2 under "Special projects" was in disagreement and the House voted to recede and concur therein. Pages 9101–9103

Foreign Claims: Adopted a clarifying amendment and passed by a voice vote H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended. This bill will enable the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States to handle certain claims against Bulgaria, Hungary, Rumania, Italy, and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

H. Res. 276, the rule under which the bill was considered, had been adopted earlier. Pages 9103–9120

Federal Employees' Pay: Adopted, by a voice vote, the conference report on S. 67, the Federal employees' pay adjustment bill, and thus cleared the legislation for Presidential action. Pages 9120–9124

Private Bill: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 1142, a private bill, and cleared the bill for the White House. Page 9124

Private Bill: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4249, a private bill; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Lane, Forrester, and Miller of New York. Page 9124

Public Works Investigation: Adopted H. Res. 144, authorizing the Committee on Public Works to conduct studies and investigations with respect to certain matters within its jurisdiction. Page 9125

Late Reports: The Committee on Foreign Affairs was granted permission to file, by midnight Friday, a report on S. 2090, the Mutual Security Act of 1955; and the Committee on Banking and Currency was given permission to file, by midnight Sunday, a report on S. 2126, the Housing Act of 1955. Pages 9090, 9138

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:48 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings to discuss the national sugar program and pending legislation relating thereto. True D. Morse, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, discussed the Department's views on the general subject. Other witnesses testifying were Thomas Heney, U. S. Cane Sugar Refiners Association; John W. Lowe, executive vice president, Revere Sugar Refinery, Boston, Mass.; Frank K. Wooley, American Farm Bureau Federation; Jose Ramon Quinones, president, Puerto Rico Farm Bureau; and Arthur L. Quinn, Refined Sugar Industry of Puerto Rico. Recessed until tomorrow morning when other representatives of the beet- and cane-sugar industries are scheduled to testify.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported to the House S. 2126, as amended, to extend and clarify laws relating to provisions and improvements in housing, the elimination and prevention of slums, and the conservation and development of urban communities.

DOMESTIC RELATIONS COURT

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Harris subcommittee completed public hearings on H. R. 6258, to establish a domestic relations branch in the municipal court for the District of Columbia. Opposition to the proposed legislation was presented by various Washington, D. C., attorneys.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Held further hearings in connection with pending proposals to increase the national hourly minimum wage standards. Representatives of the Forest Farmers Association and Alabama Forest Producers Association testified today. Recessed until tomorrow when it will hear officials of the National Council of Farmers Cooperatives.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee continued hearings today on pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local educa-

tional agencies in the areas affected by Federal activities. Representative Jarman, of Oklahoma, testified, along with Samuel M. Brownell, Commissioner of the Office of Education (HEW), and Rall I. Grigsby, Assistant Commissioner for School Assistance, Office of Education. These departmental witnesses are scheduled to return tomorrow afternoon for further testimony.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on the draft report of S. 2090, the Mutual Security Act of 1955. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning, when it is expected to approve the draft report.

ARMY SURPLUS DISPOSAL

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Military Operations discussed disposal of surplus property by the Army today with Maj. Gen. A. T. McNamara, Office of Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics (U. S. Army). He was accompanied by representatives of that Office. Recessed until tomorrow to hear testimony regarding case of excessive procurement of a liquid beverage base by the Military Sea Transportation Service (Navy).

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2681, amended, providing for the leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands in the State of Arizona for certain purposes.

Also considered H. R. 3544 and 3602, regarding Federal land acquisition relating to construction of a reservoir at Randall Dam on the Missouri River for Indian rehabilitation purposes; and H. R. 5608, a similar bill regarding construction of a reservoir at Oahe Dam on the Missouri River. Witnesses testifying in support of these proposals were Ralph H. Case and former Gov. M. Q. Sharpe, of North Dakota, who acted as counsel for the Lower Brule, Crow Creek, and Standing Rock Tribes of the Sioux Reservation in South Dakota. Miscellaneous interested tribal representatives also testified. Will continue on same bills tomorrow morning.

POLIO VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Health and Science continued its discussion today with a selected panel of scientists on H. R. 6286, the administration's poliomyelitis vaccination assistance bill. The panel, with Dr. John R. Paul, of the Yale University School of Medicine, acting as its impartial chairman, was chosen to discuss the scientific problems involved in this legislation, which is designed to defray the costs of poliomyelitis vaccine to be used in the vaccination of a substantial portion of our child population, and possibly other priority groups. Before this morning's session started, Chairman Priest emphasized the responsibility which this committee has before it—responsibility which he believed belongs elsewhere. He stated that the committee has before it legislation requested by the President and by the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare to authorize the appropriation of funds—at first $28 million was requested and, later, $35 million—to assist the States with mass polio vaccination programs by providing funds for those children whose parents might not otherwise be able to pay for the vaccine. He added that the committee, therefore, has the responsibility of deciding whether this legislation should or should not be reported to the floor of the House. Continuing his statement, Chairman Priest said that this decision involves scientific questions relating to the safety and effectiveness of the vaccine which is to be used, and for that reason he requested the formation of this panel in order to advise the committee on this question.

Testimony was received during today's session from Representatives Burnside, of West Virginia, and Bennett of Florida. Also testifying was Dr. Daniel Bergsma, New Jersey State commissioner of health, and vice president, Association of State and Territorial Health Officers. Further hearings are expected to be called by the chairman.

BANKRUPTCY—IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS—COMMERCE—COURTS—SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 256, amended, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to the priority of debts owed by a bankrupt to workmen, servants, clerks, and certain salesmen;

H. R. 2854, to amend U. S. Code so as to increase the penalties applicable to seditious conspiracy, advocating overthrow of government, and conspiracy to advocate overthrow of government;

H. R. 3702, amended, to amend U. S. Code so as to extend the punishment for the transportation of stolen motor vehicles in interstate or foreign commerce to tractors, commercial truck trailers, and truck semi-trailers;

H. R. 4792, to amend U. S. Code relating to resignation and retirement of judges;

H. R. 5522, for the relief of the Florida State Hospital;

H. R. 6248, to provide for the maintenance of a roster of retired judges available for special judicial duty and for their assignment to such duty by the Chief Justice of the United States;

H. R. 6366, amended, amending the U. S. Code entitled "Armed Forces" and "National Guard" (a clean bill to be introduced);

H. R. 6446, amending U. S. Code entitled "Food, Drugs, and Cosmetics" (a clean bill—H. R. 6991, to revise, codify, and enact into law, title 21 of the U. S. Code entitled "Food, Drugs, and Cosmetics," introduced in lieu today);

H. R. 6621, to amend U. S. Code so as to provide penalties for threats against the Vice President-elect and to authorize Secret Service protection for the Vice President-elect;

H. R. 6871, to continue the effectiveness of the act of December 2, 1942, and the act of July 28, 1945, relating to war-risk hazard and detention benefits, until July 1, 1956;

H. J. Res. 157, amended, establishing a Commission on Government Security;

H. J. Res. 273, to establish a commission for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt; and

H. Res. 278, providing that the bill, H. R. 5421, and all accompanying papers shall be referred to the United States Court of Claims.

Also ordered reported H. Con. Res. 167 and 168, both amended, concurrent resolutions approving the granting of the status of permanent residence to certain aliens; 58 private immigration bills (45 of the House and 13 of the Senate); and 18 private claim bills of the House.

Fifteen private immigration bills (12 of the House and 3 of the Senate) were tabled along with 7 private claim bills of the House.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued public hearings in connection with its study of shipping industry labor costs used in computing operating subsidies. Witnesses heard today were Capt. J. D. Knox, operating manager, Weyerhaeuser Steamship Co., and E. N. W. Hunter, vice president, Pope & Talbot, Inc. (west coast). Recessed until tomorrow morning when Mr. Hunter will resume his testimony, followed by James Sinclair, president of the Luckenbach Steamship Co.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' INSURANCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Completed hearings on H. R. 6903, 6348, 6436, and 6629, bills to amend the Federal Employees Group Life Insurance Act of 1954. Witnesses heard today were Representative Hyde, author of H. R. 6436 and 6629; Warren B. Irons, Bureau of Departmental Operations, Civil Service Commission; W. A. Kenyon, secretary-treasurer of the War Department Beneficial Association, representing the Government Group Insurance Conference; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council, AFL; Luther Stewart, president, National Federation of Federal Employees; John McCart, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; and E. L. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks.

Also received a letter from Richard S. Lefywich, general counsel and secretary, Shenandoah Life Insurance Co., Inc., Roanoke, Va., approving the provisions of H. R. 6903, a bill introduced by Representative Dowdy, which has been endorsed by the Civil Service Commission and agreed to by all parties concerned with the legislation. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON, D. C.

Committee on Public Works: The Jones (Alabama) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 6472, to promote the redevelopment of the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia.

MILITARY PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 6829, the Army-Navy-Air Force construction and installation (public works) bill. Representatives Vinson and Short spoke on the proposed legislation. Recessed until Monday morning when it is scheduled to consider rules on S. 2090, the Mutual Security Act of 1955, and S. 2126, the Housing Amendments of 1955.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Spanish War ordered reported to the full committee H. J. Res. 110, which seeks to provide pension at Spanish War rates for veterans who served in the Moro Province, Samar, and Leyte, after July 4, 1902, and prior to January 1, 1914, and to their survivors.

The subcommittee also reported favorably on H. R. 5055, permitting men who served at one of the service academies during the Spanish War or World War I to count that time for veteran benefit purposes.

The bills, H. R. 2867 and 4864, to increase the rate of pension for Spanish War widows from $54.18 to $75 monthly, were referred to the full committee with the recommendation that they be considered in connection with general pension legislation for all wars at such time as may be deemed appropriate.

Action was deferred on the other bills pending before the subcommittee.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive study of proposed revisions of the social security law relating to old-age and survivors insurance. The committee is considering proposals which would provide disability insurance benefits to persons working in covered occupations, lower from 65 to 62 years the age at which women beneficiaries may qualify for benefits, and the payment of benefits to disabled children age 18 and over. Recessed until tomorrow morning following its hearings on the public debt limit bill.

Friday, June 24, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 18 public bills, including amendments to Federal Airport Act.
Bill to extend public debt-limit increase approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9151–9158

Bills Introduced: 21 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2305 to S. 2325. Page 9152

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: S. 1855, to amend Federal Airport Act by authorizing obligation of grants under the act of $63 million for each of fiscal years 1956–59, with amendments—reported on June 23 during adjournment of Senate under prior authority (S. Rept. 636). Page 9152

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 9151–9152

Helen Keller Recognition: Senate passed S. Con. Res. 39, recognizing on the occasion of her 75th birthday, June 27, 1955, the efforts of Miss Helen Keller in behalf of physically handicapped. Page 9158

D. C. Bills: 10 bills affecting the District of Columbia were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

D. C. civic auditorium: H. R. 1825, creating a Federal Commission to formulate plans for the construction in D. C. of a civic auditorium;

Without amendment and cleared for House:

D. C. officers: S. 48, to provide for the disqualification of certain former D. C. officers and employees in matters connected with former duties;

D. C. public utilities reports: S. 2176, to repeal requirement that public utilities in D. C. must submit annual reports to Congress;

D. C. boards' compensation: S. 1739, to authorize D. C. Commissioners to fix rates of compensation of members of certain examining and licensing boards and commissions;

D. C. public school food services: S. 665, to revive section 3 of the D. C. Public School Food Services Act regarding employee benefits;

D. C. hospital center: S. 666, to extend the period of authorization of appropriations for hospital center and facilities in D. C.;

With amendment and cleared for House:

D. C. Jewish War Veterans: S. 1741, to exempt from taxation certain property of the Jewish War Veterans in the D. C.;

D. C. premarital examinations: S. 182, requiring premarital examination of all applicants for marriage licenses in D. C.;

D. C. public utilities stock: S. 2177, to repeal the prohibition against declaration of stock dividends by public utilities in D. C.; and

D. C. special police: S. 1275, authorizing D. C. Commissioners to designate employees to protect D. C. property. Pages 9159, 9159–9164

Foreign Service Annuities: Senate passed without amendment S. 1287, to make certain increases in the annuities of annuitants under Foreign Service retirement and disability systems. Page 9159

Subversive Activities Control Board: Senate passed without amendment S. 2171, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act, providing that upon expiration of term of office, board member shall continue to serve until successor qualifies. Page 9164

Administration of Oaths: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 4221, authorizing certain officers of Federal penal institutions to administer oaths and take acknowledgments. Page 9164

Sherman Act Penalties: H. R. 3659, increasing the criminal penalties under the Sherman Act, was cleared for President when it passed without amendment. Pages 9164–9165

Clayton Act Damages: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 4954, to amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the U. S. to recover damages under the antitrust laws and to establish a uniform statute of limitations. Pages 9165–9166

Federal Airport Amendments: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 1855, to amend Federal Airport Act by authorizing obligation of grants under the act of $63 million for each of fiscal years 1956–59. Pages 9166–9173

California-Nevada Compact—Water: S. 1391, compact between California and Nevada regarding waters of Truckee, Carson, and Walker Rivers, and Lake Tahoe, was passed with committee amendments. Pages 9173–9174

Public Lands: Senate returned to the consideration of S. 1713, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, which bill had been displaced on June 21 for the consideration of other legislation. Page 9174

Confirmations: Two civilian nominations were confirmed. Pages 9158, 9188

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:35 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm price support program, with testimony from Fielding Helm, Plainview, Tex. Hearings continue Thursday, June 30.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction resumed its hearings on S. 1765, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, with testimony as follows:

On jet base at New Iberia, La.—testimony from Assistant Secretary of the Navy Raymond H. Fogler; Rear Adm. J. S. Russell, Chief of Bureau of Aeronautics; Vice Adm. A. K. Doyle, Chief of Naval Training; Rear Adm. J. R. Perry, Chief of Bureau of Yards and Docks; and Rear Adm. S. R. Clark, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; and

On Army barracks and messes—testimony from Col. W. R. Shuler, Chief, Construction Division, Army; and H. R. Zackrison, Office of the Chief of Engineers, Army.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

PAYMENT AND COLLECTION OF WAGES IN D. C.

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, Welfare, and Safety held and concluded hearings on S. 938, to provide for the payment and collection of wages in the D. C. Testimony favoring the bill was heard from Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel (who suggested certain amendments), Walter Mason, legislative representative, AFL, Frank O'Connor, Washington Building Trades Council, AFL, and Carrie L. Allgood, executive secretary, Minimum Wage and Industrial Safety Board. Subcommittee also heard testimony from William Press, executive vice president, Washington Board of Trade, who stated that he saw no necessity for enactment of this bill.

ANTITRUST AND MONOPOLY

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings into the economic background of corporate mergers, and had as its witness today William McC. Martin, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and Ray M. Gidney, Comptroller of the Currency. Hearings continue Wednesday, June 29.

COMMUNIST EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PRESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings into the problems of Communist exploitation of the foreign language press in the U. S., having as its witness Mrs. Stella Andrassy, of New York City, a native of Sweden who lived in Hungary from 1919 to 1945. Mrs. Andrassy, who is liaison representative of the New York Civil Defense Organization with the foreign language press, stated that a considerable number of foreign language publications in the U. S. are presently following the Communist Party line. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

LONGSHOREMEN AND HARBOR WORKERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor concluded hearings on miscellaneous bills to amend the Longshoremen and Harbor Workers Compensation Act regarding compensation payments for disability (S. 594, 1307, 1308, 1646, and 2280). Witnesses heard at today's hearing were Edward Schmuck, insurance committee, Washington Board of Trade; Howard M. Starling, manager, Association of Casualty & Surety Companies; Andrew R. Martinez, counsel, New Orleans Steamship Association; and Jeff Kibre, International Longshoremen and Warehousemen's Union, accompanied by Julius Stern, of San Francisco, and Frank Andrews, Olympia, Wash.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 27, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Held morning and afternoon sessions in connection with its hearings on the

national sugar program and pending legislative proposals thereto. Witnesses testifying today were R. J. Badeaux, Louisiana Farm Bureau (organization director); Hubert H. Walter, Joint Board of Columbia Basin Irrigation Districts, Ephrata, Wash.; Robert E. Billingsley, Quincy Irrigation District, State of Washington; Frank Staples, American Molasses Co.; Leon Bailie, National Reclamation Association; John Haw, National Reclamation Association; Frank A. Kemp, U. S. Sugar Producers (Domestic Beet–Mainland Cane, Hawaii and Puerto Rico); Lawrence Myers, Director, Sugar Division, Commodity Stabilization Service; Wallace Kemper, American Cane Sugar League; Representative Knutson, of Minnesota; Hugh M. Trowbridge, domestic beet area; and H. Harvey Pike, of H. H. Pike Co., Inc., New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Testimony on pending proposals to increase the national hourly minimum wage standards was received today from representatives of the following organizations—The National Council of Farmers Cooperatives, the American Federation of Teachers, and the National Association of Ice Industries. Recessed until next Tuesday morning when representatives of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce will testify.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee held further hearings today on pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local education agencies in the areas affected by Federal activities. Samuel M. Brownell, Commissioner of the Office of Education (HEW); and Rall I. Grigsby, Assistant Commissioner for School Assistance, Office of Education, resumed their testimony which was started at yesterday's session. Also heard Representatives Wilson and Teague (both of California) on the subject. Recessed tentatively until next Tuesday.

FOREIGN AID

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered reported to the House, S. 2090, the Mutual Security Act of 1955.

BEVERAGE BASE CASE

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Military Operations held a hearing regarding questionable procurements of liquid beverage bases within the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts and the Military Sea Transportation Service at Seattle, Wash. Chairman Holifield stated today that the hearing was being conducted relative to a report of a General Accounting Office investigation which was forwarded to the committee in May of this year for appropriate action. He added that he expected the testimony to reveal some possible wrongdoing on the part of former Navy personnel and would also point up Navy contracting procedures which need improvement. Witnesses testifying at the session were William Ellis, Chief of Investigations Office, General Accounting Office, accompanied by members of his staff; Rear Adm. Neil K. Dietrick, Deputy Commander, Military Sea Transportation Service, accompanied by Captain Capell, staff supply officer; Rear Adm. Joel D. Parks, Deputy Chief, Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, accompanied by Captain Mackenzie, Assistant Chief, Purchasing Branch; Capt. John S. Fahy, Officer, Performance Branch, Personnel Division; and Capt. S. B. Wood of the Judge Advocate General's Office who answered questions concerning disciplinary action not covered by Captain Fahy.

BRANCATO DEPORTATION CASE

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs met in open session today to hear Francesco (Frank) Brancato, of Cleveland, Ohio, relative to his deportation case. The subcommittee has held hearings at the request of Representatives Mitchell and Vanik (both of Ohio), who recommended a congressional investigation of procedures of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in said deportation case.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—S. 824, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands in the State of Washington which had been erroneously conveyed to the United States; S. 1878, to amend the act authorizing the conveyance of certain lands to Miles City, Mont., in order to extend for 5 years the authority under such act; and H. R. 622, amended, to provide for the release by the United States of its rights and interests in certain lands located in Saginaw County, Mich. Also considered, but passed over, H. R. 4391, to abolish the Castle Pinckney National Monument, in the State of South Carolina; and H. R. 3897, to relieve the Secretary of the Interior of certain reporting requirements in connection with proposed National Park Service awards of concession leases and contracts, including renewals thereof.

Witnesses testifying today were Representative Bentley on H. R. 622, of which he is author; and Representative Fjare on S. 1878, author of a similar House bill, H. R. 6296. Departmental officials at the session were Jackson Price, attorney for the National Park Service; and Lewis Sigler, attorney, Solicitor's Office, Department of the Interior.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee continued consideration of H. R. 3544 and 3602, regarding Federal land acquisition relating to

construction of a reservoir at Randall Dam on the Missouri River for Indian rehabilitation purposes; and H. R. 5607, a similar bill regarding construction of a reservoir at Oahe Dam on the Missouri River. Witnesses testifying today were Senators Mundt and Case of South Dakota, and Representative Lovre, author of H. R. 3602; former Gov. M. Q. Sharpe, of North Dakota; Lewis Sigler, attorney, Office of the Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Milton A. Pearl, Office of Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army; C. H. Beitzell, superintendent of the Lower Brule and Crow Creek Reservations; Joseph W. Wellington, superintendent of the Standing Rock Reservation; and various representatives of the Standing Rock Tribe.

A statement for the record was also filed in behalf of Representative Krueger, of North Dakota. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

COMMUNICATIONS' GRANTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Members of the Federal Communications Commission testified before the Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications today on H. R. 5614, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require that protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing, show that the grant was improperly made or would otherwise not be in the public interest. Appearing at the session were Chairman George C. McConnaughey and Commissioners John C. Doerfer and Robert E. Lee.

HABEAS CORPUS WRITS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 concluded a hearing on H. R. 5649, to amend the U. S. Code in reference to applications for writs of habeas corpus by persons in custody pursuant to the judgment of a State court. Testimony on the proposal was received from Representative Murray of Illinois, Henry P. Chandler, Director, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts; Harold R. Fatzer, attorney general for the State of Kansas; Irving Fermen, administrator, Civil Liberties Union; Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; and Harry McMullen, attorney general for the State of North Carolina.

BANKRUPTCY—HOLIDAYS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 ordered reported to the full committee, H. R. 5047, amended, to increase the compensation of trustees in bankruptcy; and H. R. 6247, to amend and repeal subdivisions of the Bankruptcy Act relating to unclaimed moneys. Also considered H. R. 5416, amending section 48 of the Bankruptcy Act relating to trustees' fees. Testimony on the three bills was received from Edwin L. Covey, Chief of Bankruptcy, Administrative Office of the U. S. Courts; and Charles A. Horsky, chairman of the National Bankruptcy Conference. Representative Boggs testified on H. R. 5047, which he introduced in the House; and a statement for the record was submitted on H. R. 5416 by the National Association of Creditmen.

Also heard Representative Davis of Georgia on two measures he introduced in the House—H. J. Res. 205, designating the second Sunday in October of each year as National Grandmothers' Day; and H. J. Res. 206, to authorize the President to proclaim the third week in April of each year as National My Family Week. Testimony on H. R. 6588, to establish dates for celebrating certain public legal holidays, was received from Representative Ray, author of the bill; A. L. Hyde of Greenlock, N. J., and Lee Bossameyer, National Association of Travel Organizations, Washington, D. C.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Westcoast steamship company representatives testified today in connection with the committee's study of shipping industry labor costs used in computing operating subsidies. Witnesses heard today were E. N. W. Hunter, vice president, Pope & Talbot, Inc.; James Sinclair, president of the Luckenbach Steamship Co.; and A. E. Kihn, manager, marine department, Standard Oil of California. Recessed until Tuesday morning when it is scheduled to hear Randolph Sevier, president of the Matson Navigation Co.

PUBLIC DEBT LIMIT

Committee on Ways and Means: Voted unanimously to report to the House H. R. 6992, to extend for 1 year the existing temporary increase in the public debt limit. The Secretary of the Treasury, George M. Humphrey, met during consideration of the proposed legislation, and urged its enactment.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive study of proposed revisions of the social security law relating to old-age and survivors insurance. The committee is considering proposals which would provide disability insurance benefits to persons working in covered occupations, lower from 65 to 62 years the age at which women beneficiaries may qualify for benefits, and the payment of benefits to disabled children age 18 and over. Recessed on the subject until next Wednesday morning. Hearings will be conducted Monday and Tuesday of next week on H. R. 9 and 10, Individual Retirement Act of 1955.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: The Hardy subcommittee resumed executive marking up of proposed legislation to furnish benefits provided under Federal law for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Recessed until Tuesday afternoon.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bill establishing Commission on Government Security.

House passed bills on debt limit extension, military public works, and atomic energy acquisitions.

Senate Banking Committee approved miscellaneous measures, including 2-year extension of Defense Production Act.

1955 Mutual Security bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Conferees agreed to file report on D. C. judges' salaries.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 19 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2326–S. 2344; and S. J. Res. 84 and 85. Page 9203

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 619, to provide that all U. S. currency shall bear the inscription "In God We Trust" (S. Rept. 637);

S. 756, to provide that the U. S. shall aid the States in wildlife restoration projects, with amendments (S. Rept. 638);

S. J. Res. 85, providing for a 30-day extension of certain housing programs, the Small Business Act of 1953, and the Defense Production Act of 1950 (S. Rept. 639);

S. 717, 1084, 1112, 1126, H. R. 928, 990, 1111, 1163, 1247, 1255, 1281, 1283, 1287, 1357, 1417, 1467, 1472, 1473, 1474, 1475, 1525, 2933, 3069, 3070, 3075, S. 550, 1337, H. R. 1044, 1155, 3074, S. 315, private bills (S. Repts. 640–670, respectively);

S. 1835, to amend the D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act, with amendments (S. Rept. 671);

S. 59, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to make April 1, 1948, the effective date for survivorship benefits to widowers as have been provided for widows, with amendments (S. Rept. 672); and

S. 1154, 1220, H. R. 989, 2470, 3194, 3271, S. 476, H. R. 1745, 2769, 3363, S. 415, 1077, private bills (S. Repts. 673–684, respectively). Page 9202

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 9218

President's Communication: Communication from President recommending acceptance by Congress of proposed memorial to the late Senator Robert A. Taft was received and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 9200

Judiciary Committee Reports: Committee on the Judiciary was authorized to file reports after recess of Senate today.

Mississippi River Flood Control: Letter from Secretary of Army transmitting report dated July 26, 1954, from Chief of Engineers, U. S. Army, together with accompanying papers and illustration on a review of reports on Mississippi River at St. Louis, Mo., was ordered to be printed, with illustrations, as S. Doc. 57, and referred to Committee on Public Works. Page 9206

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 28 private bills were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President: H. R. 880, 935, 943, 968, 973, 977, 988, 995, 997, 998, 1028, 1047, 1083, 1157, 1158, 1205, 1299, 1300, 1337, and 4549;

With amendment, to be sent back to House: H. R. 3359;

Without amendment and cleared for House: S. Con. Res. 42, S. 501, 578, and 871;

With amendment and cleared for House: S. 288, 1159, and 1522. Pages 9214–9216

Private Bill: S. 332, a private bill, was, during call of calendar, recommitted to Committee on the Judiciary for further study. Page 9214

Timber-Access Roads: Senate disagreed to House amendment to S. 1464, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber-access roads, asked for conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Long, Anderson, Neuberger, Malone, and Dworshak. Pages 9213–9214

Government Security Commission: Senate passed S. J. Res. 21, establishing a Commission on Government Security, after adopting committee amendments thereto, one of which was amended by adoption of modified Carlson amendment changing from December 31, 1956, to March 31, 1956, the date for submission of the Commission's final report to the Congress and the President. Pages 9216, 9218–9241

Land Transfer—Georgia: Senate passed without amendment, and cleared for President, H. R. 2973, conveyance of land in Macon County to Georgia State

Board of Education. Prior to passage, Morse amendment to make transfer conditional upon Georgia State Board of Education paying to Farmers Home Administration half of assessed market value of the land, was rejected. Pages 9247–9248

Renegotiation: Senate insisted on its amendments to H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Byrd, George, Kerr, Millikin, and Martin (Pennsylvania). Pages 9248–9249

Public Lands: Pending at recess was S. 1713, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, which had been set aside temporarily for consideration of other matters. Page 9241

Treaties Reported: The following four Geneva Conventions of August 12, 1949, were reported under Executive Report No. 9: (1) for amelioration of condition of wounded and sick in Armed Forces in the field, with a reservation and statement (Exec. D, 82d Cong., 1st sess.); (2) for amelioration of condition of wounded, sick shipwrecked, members of Armed Forces at sea, with a statement (Exec. E, 82d Cong., 1st sess.); (3) relative to the treatment of prisoners of war, with a statement (Exec. F, 82d Cong., 1st sess.); and (4) relative to the protection of civilians in time of war, with a reservation and statement (Exec. G, 82d Cong., 1st sess.). Pages 9202–9203

Recess: Recessed at 4:02 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee held hearings with regard to the proposed Tuttle Creek Dam project, Big Blue River, Kans. Moving pictures were shown at today's hearing, one showing the need for the proposed project, and one showing the area that would be adversely affected by such a project.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS AEC–TVA DIVISION

Committee on Appropriations: AEC–TVA Division of Public Works Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up its sections of the bill.

Full Public Works Subcommittee will meet tomorrow for markup purposes.

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee began hearings today, in executive session, on proposed 1956 budget estimates for legislative appropriations, with testimony from Architect of the Capitol J. George Stewart, who was accompanied by his associates.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

An original joint resolution (S. J. Res. 85) providing for a 30-day extension of certain housing programs, and Small Business Act of 1953, and the Defense Production Act of 1950;

Without amendment H. R. 619, to provide that all U. S. currency shall bear the inscription "In God We Trust";

The nomination of William J. Hallahan to be a member of the Home Loan Bank Board; and

An original bill extending the Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years (bill would include other amendments to this act).

SECURITIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities held hearings on S. 2054, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, to provide for regulation of unlisted securities. Testimony favoring enactment of this bill was heard from William McC. Martin, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and Harry W. Besse, president, Boston Stock Exchange. Subcommittee also heard testimony from J. Sinclair Armstrong, Chairman of the SEC, who favored the general principles of the bill, but requested more time to study same.

Hearings continue Thursday, June 30.

D. C. MATTERS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendment H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions, and S. 667, to exempt meetings of associations of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists from a provision of the Cosmetology Act and the License Act.

Also, the committee agreed to write letters to the Capital Transit Workers Union, the D. C. Commissioners, and the Transit Co., in an attempt to prevent a threatened strike on Thursday, June 30, in the Capital Transit Co.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: Reorganization Subcommittee announced temporary postponement of its hearings scheduled for June 29 and 30 on the Hoover Commission report on surplus property.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly held hearings to question Director of the Bureau of the Budget Rowland R. Hughes with regard to certain background information on the Dixon-Yates power contract. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported:

Eleven private claims bills (S. 415, 476, 1154, 1220, 1077, H. R. 989, 1745, 2470, 2769, 3194, 3363); and 31 private immigration bills (S. 315, 550, 717, 1084, 1112, 1126, 1337, H. R. 928, 990, 1044, 1111, 1155, 1163, 1247, 1255, 1281, 1283, 1287, 1357, 1417, 1467, 1472, 1473, 1474, 1475, 1525, 2933, 3069, 3070, 3074, 3075).

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on 3 private claims bills (S. Res. 105, S. 102, H. R. 1671); and 15 private immigration bills (S. 44, 168, 252, 286, 292, 385, 699, 720, 869, 991, 1054, 1102, 1623, 1624, 1709).

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 33 public bills, H. R. 7007–7039; 9 private bills, H. R. 7040–7048; and 9 resolutions, H. J. Res. 359 and 360, and H. Con. Res. 174–178, and H. Res. 287 and 288 were introduced. **Pages 9292–9293, 9293–9294**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955, filed on June 24 (H. Rept. 912);

S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955, filed on June 25 (H. Rept. 913);

H. R. 6992, extending for 1 year the existing temporary increase in the public debt limit (H. Rept. 914);

S. 1755, reduction in interest rates on disaster loans (H. Rept. 915);

H. R. 6871, to extend war risk hazard and detention benefits (H. Rept. 916);

S. J. Res. 38, consenting to an interstate compact to conserve oil and gas (H. Rept. 917);

H. J. Res. 273, to establish a commission for the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt (H. Rept. 918);

H. R. 3702, extending Motor Vehicle Theft Act to tractors, trailers, and semitrailers (H. Rept. 919);

Conference report on S. 727, to adjust the salaries of the judges of the courts of the District of Columbia (H. Rept. 920);

H. R. 256, to amend the Bankruptcy Act relative to wage priority provisions (H. Rept. 921);

H. R. 2854, to amend title 18 of the U. S. Code, so as to increase the penalties applicable to seditious conspiracy, advocating overthrow of Government, and conspiracy to advocate overthrow of Government (H. Rept. 922);

Eight private bills, H. Res. 273, H. R. 1940, 2898, 4763, 5535, 6158, 6232, and 6709 (H. Repts. 923–930, respectively);

H. R. 5522, for the relief of the Florida State Hospital (H. Rept. 931);

H. Res. 278, providing that H. R. 5421 and all accompanying papers shall be referred to the U. S. Court of Claims (H. Rept. 932);

H. Res. 288, providing for consideration of, 4 hours of debate on, and waiving points of order against, S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954 (H. Rept. 933); and

H. R. 6059, to authorize the President of the United States to enter into an agreement with the President of the Republic of the Philippines to revise the 1946 trade agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of the Philippines (H. Rept. 934).

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Commerce Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6367, making appropriations for the Department of Commerce and related agencies for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Preston, Thomas, Rooney, Yates, Shelley, Flood, Cannon, Clevenger, Bow, Horan, Miller of Maryland, and Taber.

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Debt Limit Extension: By a record vote of 267 yeas to 56 nays, the House passed H. R. 6992, to extend for 1 year the existing temporary increase in the public debt limit. **Pages 9249–9252**

D. C. Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6239, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Rabaut, Passman, Natcher, Cannon, Wilson of Indiana, James, and Taber.

Pages 9252–9253

Renegotiation Act Extension: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4904 to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooper, Dingell, Mills, Jenkins, and Simpson of Pennsylvania. **Page 9253**

D. C. Legislation: The consideration of legislation pertaining to the District of Columbia was in order and the following bills were considered and passed:

Cleared for the President:

D. C. officials bonds: S. 391, broadens Commissioners' powers relating to bonding of officers and employees of the D. C. government; and

D. C. hospital center: S. 666, to extend the period of authorization of appropriations for hospital center and facilities in the District of Columbia.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

D. C. veterinary practice: H. R. 5853, to amend the act of 1907 relative to regulating the practice of veterinary medicine in the District of Columbia;

D. C. Armory Board: H. R. 6259, to amend section 8 of the act of 1948, relative to certain expense authorizations being advanced to the D. C. Armory Board; and

D. C. vehicle tag transfers: H. R. 6574, to provide that owners or sellers of motor vehicles or trailers may transfer D. C. tags for unexpired term at fee cost of $1.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

D. C. insanity pleas: H. R. 6585, amended, to amend D. C. law relative to disposition of cases where an accused person of unsound mind or mental incompentency is unable to understand the proceedings against him or properly to assist in his defense; and

D. C. police and firemen: H. R. 5892, amended, to authorize officers and members of the D. C. Metropolitan Police Force and of the Fire Department voluntarily to perform certain services on their time off from regular duty and be compensated therefor. Pages 9254–9260

Military Public Works: Passed, 316 yeas to 2 nays, H. R. 6829, to authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations.

Adopted a committee amendment to give to the Secretaries of the Army, Navy, and Air Force discretionary authority to acquire Government-financed housing in certain cases in lieu of building them.

Also adopted an amendment authorizing the Richard Bong Air Force base in the Greater Milwaukee area, Wisconsin.

H. Res. 286, the rule making in order the consideration of the bill, had been adopted previously.

Pages 9260–9280

Travel Expenses: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6295, to amend section 3 of the Travel Expense Act of 1949, as amended, to provide an increased maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Dawson of Illinois, Fascell, and Younger. Page 9281

Order of Business: The calling of the Consent Calendar and the consideration of bills under suspension of the rules was made in order on Tuesday, July 5.

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Atomic Energy Acquisitions: By a voice vote the House passed, without amendment, H. R. 6795, to authorize appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission for acquisition or condemnation of real property or any facilities, or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion. The bill authorizes an appropriation of $267,709,000.

H. Res. 283, the rule providing for the consideration of the legislation, had been adopted earlier.

Pages 9281–9285

Disaster Loans: Passed by a voice vote S. 1755, to fix the interest rate on certain disaster loans at 3 percent.

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Emergency Farm Loans: By a voice vote the House passed S. 1582, to extend for 2 years the period for making of emergency agricultural loans. Pages 9285–9286

Bills Referred: 16 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9291

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:47 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed public hearings today in connection with its study of the national sugar program and legislation pending thereon. Testimony was received from Representative Morano, of Connecticut; Dr. Ernest Galarea, of California, research and education director, National Agricultural Workers Union, AFL; John A. O'Donnell, Philippine Sugar Association; W. C. Sigerson, Warner Lambert International, New York City; William Houghland, vice president, Emeco Corp., Hanover, Pa.; Theodore A. Platz, New York City; Merwin L. Bohan, Washington, D. C.; Henry George Atkinson, vice president, Czarnikow-Rionda Co., New York City; C. Waller Barrett, Cuban Chamber of Commerce in United States; Martin H. Zoegler, Louis DeJonge & Co., New York City; C. Alfred Zinn, secretary and counsel, Mosaic Tile Co., Zanesville, Ohio; a statement filed by George L. Bell, executive vice chairman, Committee for National Trade Policy; Frederick E. Hasler, president, Haitian American Association, Inc.; a statement filed by A. W. Buttenheim, chairman, Frederick Snare Corp., New York City; and Victor Demaria, Kelvin Engineering Co., Inc., New York City.

Witnesses heard at Saturday's session were Kenneth B. Sprague, American & Foreign Power Co.; Oscar L. Chapman, Union Nacional de Productores de Asucar, S. A. de C. V.; D. J. Moore, Association of Sugar Producers of Peru; Ed. P. Jackson, Foreign Trade Club of Louisville, University of Louisville, Ky.; Ray MacDonald, vice president of International Burrough Corp.; Vermont Smith, New York City, Nesco International Department; and Mrs. Martha Brooks Brookings, director, LePages, Inc., Gloucester, Mass.

Hearings will be continued tomorrow (Tuesday) morning.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 7000, the new Armed Forces Reserve bill. Prior to this action, testimony on the proposed legisla-

tion was received from Clarence Mitchell, director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

D. C. LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met for executive discussion on bills reported from the committee and scheduled for House consideration today.

D. C. TEACHERS' SALARIES

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Abernethy subcommittee met in night session to hear testimony in connection with H. R. 6262, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education. Testimony was received from Irving Bryan, Assistant Corporation Counsel, who presented the statement of Samuel Spencer, President of the D. C. Board of Commissioners; Hobart E. Corning, Superintendent of D. C. Schools; and other officials of the District government, along with representatives of educational associations, parent-teacher organizations, and teacher-employee labor groups.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee met executively today to consider pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.), to local education agencies in areas affected by Federal activities. The subcommittee heard sponsors of these bills and representatives of educational groups in public hearings last week.

ENTERPRISE—DISBURSING OFFICERS

Committee on Government Operations: The Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee voted to report the following bills to the full committee—

H. R. 279, to provide for the termination of Government operations which are in competition with private enterprise;

H. R. 5444, to amend section 1 of the act of 1947 to authorize relief of accountable officers of the Government; and

H. R. 5962, to provide permanent authority for the relief of certain disbursing officers.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 727, with an amendment, to direct the conveyance of certain lands to the Pecwan Union School District of the State of California, in order to provide a site for a school. Testimony on the proposal was received from Representative Scudder, author of the bill; and H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, accompanied by Lewis Sigler, Office of the Solicitor, Department of the Interior.

Held a hearing on H. R. 5957, to amend Public Law No. 280 (83d Cong.) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with any State or political subdivision to share in the cost of criminal law enforcement within Indian country. Witnesses heard on this proposal were Senator Morse, of Oregon, who also submitted the statement of Senator Neuberger; Representative Berry, of South Dakota (author of the bill); Representatives Krueger, of North Dakota, and Coon, of Oregon; John B. Hart, executive director, Indian Affairs Commission, North Dakota; Ralph Beede, North Dakota State representative and member of the Indian Affairs Commission; and Jerry Rajnus and Ed Gowan, county commissioners, Klamath County, Oreg.

In a hearing on H. R. 6306, to extend the period of restrictions on lands belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes in Oklahoma, testimony was received from the following—Representative Steed, author of the bill; Messrs. Lee and Sigler, of the Department of the Interior; Floyd Maytubby, governor, Chickawaw Nation; accompanied by Earl Welch, judge, Oklahoma Supreme Court; Harry J. W. Belvin, principal chief, Choctaw Nation; Jack Davidson, member, Inter-Tribal Council, Five Civilized Tribes; Philip Walker and George Gibbs, Seminole Tribe; D. H. Stone, Waurika, Okla.; George Harjo and E. J. Harjo, of Henryetta, Okla., representing the Creek Indian Tribe; and John F. Davis, Okemah, Okla., principal chief, and Paul Nebill, attorney for the Creek Nation.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held public hearings on miscellaneous private immigration bills. In an executive session that followed, 24 private immigration bills (23 of the House and 1 of the Senate) were ordered reported favorably to the full committee, and 20 of the House were reported adversely.

FOREIGN AID—HOUSING

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 4 hours of general debate on S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955. Testimony on the legislation was received from Representatives Richards, Vorys, Robeson of Virginia, Miller of California, Tollefson, and Shelley.

Also heard Representative Spence in connection with a rule on S. 2126, the Housing Amendments of 1955. Recessed the hearing subject to call of the Chair.

INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Began public hearings on H. R. 9 and 10, proposals designed to facilitate the establishment of private retirement plans for self-employed persons and those employed persons who are not covered under existing private pension plans supplementing social security benefits. Witnesses heard today were George M. Humphrey, Secretary of the Treasury; Representatives Chudoff and Scott, of Pennsylvania; Leslie M. Rapp, on behalf of the New York State Bar

Association, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, and other professional organizations; George Roberts, chairman, special committee on retirement benefits, American Bar Association; Dr. Edwin S. Hamilton, trustee, and Dr. Frank G. Dickerson, director, bureau of medical economics and research, American Medical Association; Leslie Mills, chairman, subcommittee on tax administration, American Institute of Accountants; Milton J. Oppenheim, on behalf of the National Council of Salesmen's Organizations, Inc.; William R. Spofford, chairman, committee on lawyers' retirement benefits, Philadelphia Bar Association; and Harry Silverson, New York City. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

D. C. JUDGES

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 727, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, municipal court, juvenile court, and the tax court.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia, but did not reach final agreement and recessed subject to call.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared for President bills extending selective service for 4 years and extending for 30 days housing, defense production, and small business acts.

Senate passed bills on atomic energy construction and atomic energy rewards.

House debated Mutual Security bill.

Bills on Armed Forces Reserve and upper Colorado River storage projects approved by House committees.

Conferees agreed to file report on Commerce Department appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9315–9317, 9317–9321

Bills Introduced: 15 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2326–S. 2359; and S. Con. Res. 45. Pages 9316–9317

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 667, to exempt meeting of associations of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists from provisions of the Cosmetology Act and the License Act, with amendments (S. Rept. 685);

S. 1792, to amend the Federal Employee Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, authorizing the assumption of the insurance obligations of any nonprofit association of Federal employees with its members, with amendments (S. Rept. 686); and

S. 464, authorizing issuance of patents for certain lands in Florida bordering upon Indian River, with amendment (S. Rept. 687). Page 9316

Bills Referred: Six House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9315

President's Message—Intergovernmental Relations: Message was received from President transmitting final report of Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, which was referred to Committee on Government Operations. Page 9314

Extension of Housing, SBA, and DPA: Senate passed without amendment S. J. Res. 85, providing for a 30-day extension of certain housing programs, the Small Business Act of 1953, and the Defense Production Act of 1950. Page 9317

Private Bill: Senate adopted S. Con. Res. 45, requesting President to return for reenrollment S. 195, a private bill. Page 9317

Public Lands: Senate passed with amendment H. R. 5891, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, after substituting for its language the text of S. 1713 (a similar bill), as amended by reported committee amendments thereto. S. 1713 was then indefinitely postponed.

Prior to passage of the bill, Senate rejected Malone motion to recommit the bill, and rejected Malone amendment to confine operation of the bill to those lands coming within jurisdiction of the Forest Service.

Pages 9322–9332, 9334–9338

Selective Service and Doctors Draft: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years and to extend the Doctors Draft Act for 2 years.

Pages 9338–9339

AEC Construction: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 6795, to authorize appropriation for AEC for acquisition or condemnation of real property or any facilities, or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion (having first taken up S. 2220, a similar bill which, by unanimous consent, was put aside for consideration of H. R. 6795).

Actions taken on amendments were as follows:

Adopted: Anderson amendment increasing by $1.45 million authorized appropriations for project 56–d–6, barrier plant addition, Oak Ridge, Tenn.; and

Rejected: By 41 yeas to 42 nays, Hickenlooper amendment increasing by $21 million authorized appropriations for project 56–b–11, development of an atomic-powered merchant vessel.

Pages 9339, 9350–9352, 9354–9361

Atomic Weapons Reward: S. 609, Atomic Weapons Reward Act of 1955, was passed, after adoption of committee amendment. Pages 9361–9362

Career Civil Service: Senate made its pending business S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointment. Page 9362

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nomination of William J. Hallahan, of Maryland, to be a member of the Home Loan Bank Board, and the nomination of Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway to be placed on the retired list in the rank of general. Pages 9315, 9366

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:01 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM LOANS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with a minor amendment S. 1758, to amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans.

Prior to approval of this bill, subcommittee heard testimony favoring its enactment from R. B. McLeaish, Administrator, Farmers Home Administration.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session to mark up H. R. 6766, fiscal 1956 appropriations for public works, but did not complete its work and will meet again tomorrow evening.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: On Monday, June 27, Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, heard testimony with regard to continental air defense matters from Hamilton A. Long, of New York City.

In open session, subcommittee heard testimony with regard to reserve facilities at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., from Roger W. Fulling, Director of Construction, Office of the Secretary of Defense for Property and Installations, and John M. Ferry, Special Assistant for Installations, Air Force.

D. C. MATTERS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee held and concluded hearings on H. R. 4909, consolidation of National Tax Association with the Tax Institute, Inc., after hearing testimony from Irving Bryan, Assistant Corporation Counsel, D. C., and John L. Connolly, director, National Tax Association, both of whom favored the bill with minor amendment.

Subcommittee also held hearings on S. 2274, to amend the act to establish a code of law for the D. C. (with regard to insanity pleas), with favoring testimony from Chief Judge Henry W. Edgerton, U. S. Court of Appeals for D. C.; Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; George L. Hart, Jr., chairman, Committee To Study Criminal Insanity Law; and Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent, St. Elizabeths Hospital. Hearings continue on this bill tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—H. R. 5300, authorizing establishment of City of Refuge National Historical Park in Hawaii; H. R. 3636 and H. R. 899, private bills; H. R. 3338, to extend Alaska Railroad leases to 55 years instead of 20 years; H. R. 245, relative to construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in Alaska; and H. R. 4046, to abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument in Alaska; and

With amendment—H. R. 3990, authorizing Federal investigation of water resources projects in Alaska; S. 464, authorizing issuance of patents for certain lands in Florida bordering upon Indian River; and S. 787, granting consent of Congress to Missouri Basin States to negotiate Missouri River Basin Compact.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee met in executive session for the consideration of S. 1853, to exempt producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act, and other related bills, but made no announcements and will meet again tomorrow.

LONGSHOREMEN'S COMPENSATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Labor Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendment S. 2280, to amend the Longshoremen and Harbor Workers Compensation Act to provide increased benefits in case of disabling injuries (bill was amended by adding the provisions of S. 1308, to amend this act to authorize more effective use of the special fund provided for in sec. 44). The provisions of S. 2280 were made effective only as to injuries and deaths occurring after enactment of this bill.

CONNECTICUT HIGHWAYS

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 1577, to enable the State of Connecticut to proceed with its program of highway modernization.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 26 public bills, H. R. 7049–7073 and 7089; 15 private bills, H. R. 7074–7088; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 361–363, H. Con. Res. 179 and 180, and H. Res. 289 and 290, were introduced. **Pages 9417, 9418, 9419**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Thirty-one private bills, H. R. 1172, 3728, 3979, 4410, 5282, 6706; S. 42, 88, 90, 94, 95, 99, 118, 323, 378, 429, 467, 481, 502; H. R. 938, 939, 1019, 1185, 1191, 1423, 1752, 1878, 1958, 2494, 2738, and 6617 (H. Rept. 935–965, respectively);

H. R. 6277, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 concerning transportation and storage of household goods (H. Rept. 966);

H. R. 6600, to amend section 303 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 to authorize travel and transportation allowances, and transportation of dependents and of baggage and household effects to the homes of their selection for certain members of the uniformed services, amended (H. Rept. 967);

S. 928, to provide research and technical assistance relating to air pollution control, amended (H. Rept. 968);

H. R. 5222, amending the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard (H. Rept. 969);

H. R. 7049, to revise and codify titles 10 and 32 of the U. S. Code (H. Rept. 970);

H. R. 6248, to provide for maintenance of a roster of retired judges available for special judicial duty and for their assignment to such duty by the Chief Justice of the United States (H. Rept. 971);

Twelve private bills, H. R. 1078, 1667, 2078, 2296, 3726, 4147, 4468, 904, 897, 896, 902, and 905 (H. Repts. 972–983);

H. R. 65, to amend act of August 23, 1954 by revising the boundary between the second and fourth judicial divisions of Alaska (P. L. 632, 83d Cong.) (H. Rept. 984);

H. R. 4792, appointment of an additional judge upon the failure of a disabled judge to retire when he is eligible to (H. Rept. 985);

H. R. 6573, authorizing renewals of a lease of the Annette Island Airport to the United States (H. Rept. 986);

H. R. 7000, providing for the strengthening of the Reserve Forces (H. Rept. 987);

H. Res. 289, providing for consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, waiving points of order against, and limiting amendments to, H. R. 6059, to authorize the President of the U. S. to enter into an agreement with the President of the Philippines to revise the 1946 trade agreement between America and the Philippines (H. Rept. 988);

H. Res. 262, to authorize the Committee on House Administration to make studies and inquiries relative to unnecessary Government printing and paperwork, amended (H. Rept. 989);

H. R. 605, providing for the abolition of the 80-rod reserved spaces between claims on shore waters in Alaska (H. Rept. 990);

H. R. 6331, relating to sale or lease of certain shorelands and tidelands in Hawaii and to authorize owners to make covenants and settlements of certain damage claims and for a conveyance of littoral rights (H. Rept. 991);

H. R. 6645, to amend the Natural Gas Act, as amended (H. Rept. 992);

H. R. 7089, to furnish benefits provided under Federal law for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces (H. Rept. 993); and

Conference report on H. R. 6367, making appropriations for the Department of Commerce and related agencies for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 994).

Pages 9367, 9407, 9410, 9416–9418

President's Message—Intergovernmental Relations: Received a message from the President transmitting the final report of the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. The message was referred to the Committee on Government Operations and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 198). Page 9368

Selective Service Extension: By a vote of 389 yeas to 5 nays the House adopted the conference report on H. R. 3005, to extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years and to extend for 2 years the Doctors-Dentists Draft Act, and sent the bill to the Senate. A motion to recommit the conference report had previously been rejected by a vote of 171 yeas to 221 nays.

Pages 9370–9381

Mutual Security: Adopted H. Res. 288, providing for the consideration of, 4 hours of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. After 2 hours of debate the House deferred further consideration of the bill to Wednesday. Pages 9381–9407

War Risk: Passed H. R. 6871, to extend for 1 year war risk hazard and detention benefits, by a voice vote.

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Reserve Officer Personnel: Adopted committee amendments, passed, and returned to Senate, S. 1718, Reserve Officer Personnel Act amendments.

Pages 9407–9409

Housing, SBA, and DPA Extension: Adopted and cleared for Presidential action S. J. Res. 85, providing for a 30-day extension of certain housing programs, the Small Business Act of 1953, and the Defense Production Act of 1950. Pages 9409–9410

Old Colony Conveyance: Adopted committee amendments and passed H. R. 6980, providing for the conveyance of the Old Colony project to the Boston Housing Authority. Page 9410

Bills Referred: Seven Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 9415–9416

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:11 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Continued day-long hearings on the national sugar program and pending legislative proposals on sugar. Testimony was received from Lawrence Crosby, U. S. Sugar Cuban Council; Serafino Raumauldi, international representative, AFL, who also filed statements on behalf of Eusbio Muyal and Jose Luis Martinez; Wilbur Glenn, Industrial Sugar Users; Gordon Pickett Peyton, Cocoa & Chocolate Manufacturers Association; Joseph Creed, American Bakers Association; Robert Hibben, International Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers; and James E. Mack, National Confectioners Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House, without amendment, H. R. 7000, the new Armed Forces Reserve bill.

SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed public hearings on pending bills to amend the Small Business Act of 1953; and to continue the Small Business Administration after June 30, 1955. Members of Congress spoke in favor of said continuation today, and also suggested various amendments to the act. Witnesses heard were Representatives Hill, Curtis of Missouri, and Van Zandt. Committee will continue on this legislation tomorrow morning.

Also heard testimony from Representative McCormack on H. R. 6980, providing for the conveyance of the Old Colony project to the Boston (Mass.) Housing Authority.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Representative Matthews, of Florida, testified today on pending proposals to increase the national hourly minimum wage standard. He was followed by Dr. Emerson Schmidt, director of economic research, U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee continued executive consideration of pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local education agencies in areas affected by Federal activities.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley subcommittee resumed its executive consideration of a draft bill (to be prepared for the full committee) providing Federal assistance to States for school construction programs.

AUTOMOBILE RENTALS

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources held further hearings today regarding its study of contracts for rental of automobiles by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Witnesses testifying were Owen Kane, legislative attorney,

General Accounting Office; John Lalley, representing the automobile leasing firm of Peterson, Howell & Heather, Baltimore, Md.; and Paul C. Loeber, president of the American Rent-a-Car Co., Washington, D. C. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

BUDGET

Committee on Government Operations: The Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee held hearings today on the following bills—H. R. 6558, to provide effective congressional control over the budget of the United States; H. R. 4009, to enable the Comptroller General more effectively to assist the Appropriations Committee in considering the budget; and H. J. Res. 346, to supplement control of the budget.

Authors of the bills, speaking on behalf of their proposals, were Representative Cannon (H. R. 6558 and H. J. Res. 346); and Representative McCarthy (H. R. 4009). Bureau of the Budget opposition to the legislation was presented by Percival F. Brundage, Deputy Director, who was accompanied by Carl Tiller, Chief of Budget Methods, Office of Budget Review. A statement by the General Accounting Office was submitted for the record by Robert F. Keller, Assistant to the Comptroller General. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TERRITORIES—UPPER COLORADO PROJECTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 65, redefining territory limits of division No. 2 for the Federal District Court of Alaska;

H. R. 605, to abolish a reserved space between claims and the shore waters in Alaska;

H. R. 896, 898, 902, 904, and 905, all private bills;

H. R. 3383 and S. 500, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Colorado River storage project and participating projects (both bills as amended);

H. R. 6331, amended, relating to sale or lease of certain shorelands and tidelands in Hawaii and to authorize owners to make covenants and settlements of certain damage claims and for a conveyance of littoral rights; and

H. R. 6573, amended, to authorize renewals of a lease of the Annette Island Airport to the United States.

MINES AND MINING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—

H. R. 392, amended, to provide for the return to the former owners of land all of the oil and gas and mineral interests acquired in connection with the Demopolis rock and dam project on the Tombigbee River;

H. R. 6994, amended (a clean bill to supersede H. R. 6471), to provide for the entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the United States, classified as or known to be valuable for coal; and

H. R. 2391, amended, to provide for temporary measures for flood control and anthracite mine drainage. Similar bills on this subject were also referred to the full committee for its consideration—H. R. 37, 77, 2444, and 6818.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT

Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House, as amended, H. R. 4744, to remove the $40 limitation now placed upon the amount of annuity payable to spouses of individuals under the Railroad Retirement Act, and make the amount equal to the maximum amount which could be paid to such person under section 202 (b) of the Social Security Act. The measure was amended by including the provisions of H. R. 5702, to remove restriction on employment as to annuitants under the Railroad Retirement Act. Recessed until tomorrow for executive consideration of H. R. 4090, radio call selectors for cargo ships.

PHILIPPINE VETERANS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5069, as amended, to permit the naturalization of certain Philippine citizens by reason of honorable service in the U. S. Navy prior to December 24, 1952. Witnesses heard on this measure and a similar bill (H. R. 3884) were Capt. P. W. Winston, U. S. Navy; and Linden Crone of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

OATHS—CLAIMS—PUBLIC DEFENDERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 5264, to extend the United States criminal law relating to perjury to the willful giving of contradictory statements under oath; and reported favorably on seven private claims bills of the House. One private claim bill was reported adversely. Also reported adversely on the following bills which would provide for the representation of indigent defendants in criminal cases in the district courts of the United States by a public defender—H. R. 3142, 3229, 3881, 4103, and 6872.

WOODROW WILSON CENTENNIAL

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 6454, amended, relating to the establishment of a Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission.

In a hearing on this bill and a similar measure, H. R. 6455, testimony was received from Representative Harrison of Virginia, its author; and Herbert E. Kahler, Chief Historian of the National Park Service.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed public hearings in connection with its study of shipping industry labor costs used in computing operating subsidies. Today's witness was Randolph Sevier, president of the Matson Navigation Co. Recessed until tomorrow morning when other representatives of the shipping industry are scheduled to testify.

In an executive session prior to this hearing the committee discussed the section of the mutual security bill (S. 2090) relating to the 50–50 carriage of goods by American ships under this act. It was agreed to support continuation of this feature.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Rhodes (Pennsylvania) subcommittee completed hearings today on H. R. 5843 and 3820, bills which would provide leave of absence for Federal officers and employees stationed outside the United States, its Territories or possessions. Representative Davis of Georgia, author of H. R. 5843, spoke on his proposal. Presenting the views of the White House on the subject were Philip Young, the President's Adviser on Personnel Management; John M. Carroll, staff assistant in Mr. Young's office; and Charles V. Denney, Jr., Program Planner, Legislative, U. S. Civil Service Commission. Speaking for the Department of Defense were Elisworth Wolfsperger, Chief, Overseas Affairs Division, Office of Civilian Personnel, G–1, Department of the Army; accompanied by Lex L. Dodds, Chief, Operations Branch, Overseas Affairs Division. Representatives of employee groups who appeared were Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council, AFL; John McCart, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees; Luther Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees; and Howard E. Munro, legislative representative, the Central Labor Union and the Metal Trades Council of the Panama Canal Zone. A statement for the record was presented by Russell M. Stephens, president, American Federation of Technical Engineers.

PHILIPPINE TRADE AGREEMENTS—PRINTING

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 6059, the Philippine Trade Agreement Revision Act of 1955. Representatives Cooper and Jenkins were heard on this legislation.

Also ordered reported to the House, H. Res. 262 (as amended), relating to a study by the Committee on House Administration of duplication, storage, etc., of Federal printing and binding.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to consider rules on H. R. 7000, Armed Forces Reserve Bill; and H. R. 5166, relating to Alaska Constitutional Convention.

INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded public hearings on H. R. 9 and 10, proposals designed to facilitate the establishment of private retirement plans for self-employed persons and those employed persons who are not covered under existing private pension plans supplementing social-security benefits. Members of Congress who testified today were as follows—Representatives Latham, Multer, Ray, and Flynt. Testimony was also received from William J. Grede, chairman, committee on taxation, National Association of Manufacturers; Thomas N. Tarleau, New York City; Edwin S. Cohen, counsel, National Association of Investment Companies; Hugh F. Hall, legislative assistant, American Farm Bureau Federation; Robert R. Richardson, chairman, Junior Bar Conference of the American Bar Association; Dr. Chester D. Swope, chairman, department of public relations, American Osteopathic Association (who filed a statement); James F. Lawrence, in behalf of the Investment Counsel Association of America; Paul H. Robbins, executive director, National Society of Professional Engineers; Edgar J. Kates, vice president, Engineers Joint Council, who was accompanied by Carlton S. Proctor; Dr. Paul E. Jones, chairman, council on legislation, American Dental Association; Dr. J. A. McCallam, American Veterinary Medical Association; Howard C. Raether, executive secretary, National Funeral Directors Association; Marshall J. Mantler, managing director, Bureau of Salesmen's National Association; Walter J. Wheeler, representing Minnesota lawyers and other self-employed persons; and George J. Burger, vice president, National Federation of Independent Business.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will resume executive consideration of proposals to revise the social security law relating to old-age and survivors' insurance.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Select Committee on Survivors' Benefits: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 7089, to furnish benefits provided under Federal law for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—COMMERCE DEPARTMENT

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Commerce Department.

Wednesday, June 29, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared for President Commerce Department appropriations.

Senate cleared for President bill on reserve officer personnel, and passed 11 sundry public bills.

House worked on Mutual Security bill and cleared Atomic Energy Acquisition bill for the White House.

Senate Interstate Committee approved bill to amend Natural Gas Act.

Armed Forces Reserve bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Conferees agreed to file reports on Defense Department and D. C. appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9432–9439

Bills Introduced: 17 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2360–S. 2376. **Pages 9433–9434**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6992, to extend for 1 year the existing temporary increase in the public debt limit (S. Rept. 688);

H. R. 4182, private bill (S. Rept. 689);

H. R. 5560, to extend for 3 years the existing privilege of free importation of personal and household effects brought into the U. S. under Government orders, with amendment (S. Rept. 690); and

S. 1577, to enable the State of Connecticut to proceed with its program of highway modernization, with amendments (S. Rept. 691). **Pages 9433, 9467**

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 9431**

Commerce Department Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H. R. 6367, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Commerce Department, agreeing to House amendments to Senate amendments No. 29 on vessel operations revolving fund, No. 43 on classification of the Department's budget officer, and No. 48, placing in the grade of major general the Army officer now serving as Governor of the Canal Zone. **Pages 9435–9437**

Reserve Officer Personnel: Senate concurred in House amendments to, and cleared for White House, S. 1718, Reserve Officer Personnel Act amendments. **Pages 9462–9463**

Sundry Bills Passed: Senate took up on motion and passed, as indicated, the following 11 sundry bills:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

U. S. currency: H. R. 619, to provide that all U. S. currency shall bear the inscription "In God We Trust."

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Career employees: S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointment; and

Alaska: S. 1633, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Retirement: S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service;

Postal classification: S. 1292, to readjust postal classification on educational and cultural materials (with an amendment by Senator Johnston (South Carolina) to a committee amendment, so as to provide that the cost of fourth-class mail service will not exceed by more than 10 percent the revenues therefrom rather than 15 percent as provided in the committee amendment);

D. C. home rule: By 59 yeas to 15 nays, S. 669, providing for D. C. elected Mayor, City Council, School Board, and nonvoting Delegate to the House of Representatives (motion to reconsider vote by which the bill was passed was tabled);

D. C. hairdressers: S. 667, to exempt meetings of associations of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists from provisions of the Cosmetology Act and the License Act;

Group life insurance: S. 1792, to amend the Federal Employee Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, authorizing the assumption of the insurance obligations of any nonprofit association of Federal employees with its members;

Florida land patents: S. 464, authorizing issuance of patents for certain lands in Florida bordering upon Indian River;

Wildlife restoration: S. 756, to provide that the U. S. shall aid the States in wildlife restoration projects; and

Private bill: S. 1077.

Pages 9439–9446, 9446–9447, 9464–9467

D. C. Public Utilities: S. 184, District of Columbia Public Utilities Regulation Act of 1955, was made the pending business. Page 9468

Confirmations: The nomination of John C. Baker, of Ohio, to be U. S. representative on UNESCO of the U. N., was confirmed, along with one Army nomination in the rank of general. Pages 8432, 9463, 9468

Nominations: One judicial nomination and one Army nomination in the rank of general were received. Page 9468

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:45 p. m.

Committee Meetings

D. C. INSANITY PLEAS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on the Judiciary concluded hearings on S. 2274, to amend the act to establish a code of law for the D. C. with regard to insanity pleas, with testimony favoring its enactment from John Conliff, Assistant U. S. Attorney in charge of the Criminal Division; Dr. John D. Schultz, psychiatrist, D. C. General Hospital; and Deputy Chief Howard V. Covell, Metropolitan Police Department. Testifying in opposition to the bill was James J. Laughlin, attorney.

PUBLIC DEBT LIMIT

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported: (1) Without amendment H. R. 6992, to extend for 1 year the existing temporary increase in the public debt limit, (2) with an amendment H. R. 5560, to extend for 3 years (instead of on a permanent basis as approved by the House) the existing privilege of free importation of personal and household effects brought into the U. S. under Government orders, and (3) with amendment H. R. 4182, a private bill.

Committee announced that open hearings will be held on the customs simplification bill (H. R. 6040) on Wednesday through Friday, July 6, 7, and 8.

HYDROELECTRIC POWER BENEFITS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation concluded its hearings on S. 1574, providing for payment to owners of non-Federal water-use facilities for hydroelectric power benefits realized by the U. S. therefrom. Testimony favoring the bill was received from Willard W. Gatchell, General Counsel of the FPC. Testimony in opposition to the bill was heard from Senator Morse; Irvin Hoff, administrative assistant to Senator Magnuson, who represented Senators Magnuson and Jackson; C. J. Fain, National Association of Rural Cooperatives; and Angus MacDonald, National Farmers Union.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs held and concluded hearings on S. 2198, to extend the period of restriction on lands belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma. Testimony favoring enactment of this bill was heard from Senators Monroney and Kerr; H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner, and Lewis Sigler, Office of the Solicitor, both of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; Floyd Maytubby, a Chickasaw Indian; Judge Earl Welch, justice of the Supreme Court of Oklahoma; Jimmy Belvin, a Choctaw Indian; John Davis, a Creek Indian; and Philip Walker, a Seminole Indian, accompanied by his interpreter, George Gibbs.

LEAD AND ZINC INDUSTRY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Minerals, Materials, and Fuels held hearings on S. 2046, to encourage the discovery, development, and production of domestic lead and zinc, with testimony today favoring the bill's enactment from Senator Dworshak. A statement, also favoring the bill, was submitted for the record in behalf of Senator Goldwater.

Testimony in opposition to this bill was heard from Jean Vuillequez, vice president, American Metal Co., Ltd., New York City.

Sundry statements were submitted for the record, some favoring and some opposing this bill.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, by a vote of 11 to 4, ordered favorably reported with amendment S. 1853, relating to the exemption of producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act. The bill was amended by striking all after the enacting clause and inserting the provisions of H. R. 6645, a related bill now on the House Calendar, with an amendment to section 3 (e) of this bill to provide that "no provision of any such contract shall be construed to authorize its cancellation because of the enactment of this subsection or subsection (d) and (f)."

Prior to approval of this bill, the committee defeated (1) by a vote of 11 to 3, a motion to postpone indefinitely its consideration, and (2) by a vote of 9 to 4, a motion to exempt independent small producers and also defining charges and reasonable rate as against fair market value described in the so-called Fulbright bill whereby more latitude would be given to the FPC in establishment of price, taking into consideration the character of the production industry of natural gas as distinguished from the hard and fast formula already adopted providing for cost and fair return on invested capital.

MERGERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on corporate mergers, today on mergers in the textile industry. Witnesses heard were J. Spencer Love, chairman, Burlington Mills, Inc., and Solomon Barkin, director of research,

Textile Workers Union of America. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Internal Security had as its witness today Winston Burdett, a news commentator for CBS, who testified that he had joined a Communist cell in 1937, and that the Communist organization, through Jacob Golos, then head of Soviet espionage in the U. S., financed his trip to Europe in 1940. The witness stated that he was to act as a Communist espionage agent under the guise of a newspaper correspondent for the Brooklyn Eagle in Finland, after which he visited Rumania and Turkey in a similar capacity. Mr. Burdett stated that in 1942 he advised a Communist official that he would no longer cooperate. The witness also testified that he has told his story to the FBI, and proceeded to name for the subcommittee several persons whom he said he knew as Communists, nearly all of whom are in the newspaper business in the U. S.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the NATO Parliamentary Conference ($15,000 for the Senate and $15,000 for the House), and an original resolution providing that membership of the Select Committee on Small Business be appointed at the same time and in the same manner as other standing committees of the Senate.

Also, the committee approved a program suggested by the Sergeant at Arms relative to the distribution of cards for admission to the Senate floor.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H. R. 7090–7109; 7 private bills, H. R. 7110–7116; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 364, H. Con. Res. 181, and H. Res. 291 and 292, were introduced. **Pages 9473, 9509, 9521**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 291, providing for the consideration of, and 2 hours of debate on, H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening the Reserve Forces (H. Rept. 995);

H. R. 7034, to provide a permanent and uniform method for relief of disbursing officers (H. Rept. 996);

H. R. 7035, to provide for relief of accountable officers of the Government (H. Rept. 997);

H. J. Res. 330, to provide for the acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries (H. Rept. 998);

Twenty-six private bills, S. Con. Res. 167, H. Con. Res. 168, H. R. 1486, 1668, 1673, 1910, 1973, 2065, 2480, 2735, 2949, 3188, 3275, 3375, 3723, 4289, 914, 1084, 1092, 1458, 2363, 2782, 3037, 4146, 4185, and 5283 (H. Repts. 999–1024, respectively);

H. Res. 292, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5166, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska (H. Rept. 1025);

Three private bills, H. R. 2049, 6396, and 6613 (H. Repts. 1026–1028, respectively);

H. R. 3210, authorizing a test, on a 3-year basis, of the effect of increasing the diversion of water from Lake Michigan into the Illinois Waterway (H. Rept. 1029);

Conference report on H. R. 6042, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1030); and

Conference report on H. R. 6239, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1031).

Pages 9469, 9473, 9509, 9520–9521

Commerce Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 6367, making appropriations for the Department of Commerce and related agencies for fiscal year 1956, and sent the bill to the Senate. Amendments Nos. 29, 30, 40, 43, 47, and 48 were in disagreement and on which the House acted as follows: Voted to recede and concur with a further amendment to amendments Nos. 29, 43, and 48; and to recede and concur in Senate amendments Nos. 30, 40, and 47. **Pages 9469–9471**

Atomic Energy Acquisitions: H. R. 6795, to authorize appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission for acquisition or condemnation of real property or any facilities, or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion, was cleared for the President by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. **Page 9471**

Private Bill: Adopted, and thus concluded legislative action on, S. Con. Res. 45, requesting the President to return for reenrollment S. 195, a private bill. **Page 9472**

Mutual Security: Resumed the consideration of S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954, and while in the Committee of the Whole rejected four amendments designed to—

Prevent items of military assistance being used for future aggression and to require Presidential reports on commitments;

Delete language giving the President authority to consolidate appropriations made for military assistance and direct forces support;

Prevent modern jet planes being delivered to any country that has not entered into an alliance with the U. S. while there are unfilled strategic requirements of U. S. Armed Forces or U. S. allies; and

Require nations receiving military aid to take a stand against communism or other forms of colonialism.

The House will further consider the bill on Thursday.

Pages 9473–9509

Order of Business: The consideration of the legislative appropriation bill for fiscal year 1956 was made in order on Friday next, pursuant to a unanimous-consent request. Page 9509

Missing Persons: Passed without amendment and cleared for the White House S. 2266, to extend the Missing Persons Act until July 1, 1956. Page 9509

D. C. Judges Salary: By a division vote of 197 yeas to 42 nays the House adopted the conference report on S. 727, to adjust the salaries of the judges of the courts of the District of Columbia, and sent the bill to the Senate. A motion to recommit the conference report was rejected by a record vote of 158 yeas to 226 nays.

Pages 9509–9514

Private Bill: H. R. 4853, a private bill, was cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. Page 9514

Timber-Access Roads: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1464, to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber-access roads; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Engle, Rogers of Texas, Metcalf, Saylor, and Dawson of Utah. Page 9514

Public Lands Use: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5891, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple uses of the surface of the same tracts of public lands; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Engle, Rogers of Texas, Metcalf, Saylor, and Dawson of Utah.

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Government Security Commission: Adopted committee amendments and passed H. J. Res. 157, to establish a Commission on Government Security.

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Olympic Day: Adopted H. J. Res. 359, to authorize the designation of October 22, 1955, as National Olympic Day. Page 9517

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:50 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Heard the following witnesses today in connection with its study of the national sugar program, and pending legislation relating to sugar—Dale I. Stoops, special representative, Export Managers Association of San Francisco, Calif.; Walter Sterling Surrey, South Porto Rico Co., Comision de Defense del Asucar y Fomento de Law Cana, Dominican Chamber of Commerce of United States; and William A. Powe, director, American Chamber of Commerce of Cuba. Hearings are scheduled to be resumed next week at call of the Chair.

EMERGENCY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered favorably reported to the full committee S. 1138, to continue until July 1, 1956, or until such date as may be specified by a concurrent resolution of Congress, the authority for construction by the armed services during a war of national emergency.

SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued consideration of pending bills to amend the Small Business Act of 1953; and to continue the Small Business Administration after June 30, 1955. Representative Multer today discussed provisions of a new bill he has introduced on this subject, H. R. 7069. Committee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Dr. Emerson Schmidt, director of economic research, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, completed his testimony in opposition to any proposed increase in the national hourly minimum wage standards. Other witnesses heard today were representatives of the National Education Association, New England Shoe & Leather Association, Hardwood Plywood Institute, National Association of Radio & Television Broadcasters, Independent Telephone Association, and National Shoe Manufacturers Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee resumed its executive consideration of pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley (Pennsylvania) subcommittee held further executive consideration of a draft bill (to be prepared for the full committee) providing Federal assistance to States for school

construction programs. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon.

HOSPITALS—FEDERAL DOMAIN—LIBRARIES

Committee on Government Operations: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 482, to provide for the conveyance of a portion of the former O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo., to the State of Missouri;

H. R. 2889, amended, to direct the conveyance of certain land in Necedah, Wis., to the village of Necedah;

H. R. 3757, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to donate certain surplus property to the American National Red Cross under the Federal Property and Administrative Service Act;

H. R. 7034, to provide permanent authority for the relief of certain disbursing officers;

H. R. 7035, to amend section 1 of the act to authorize relief of accountable officers of the Government;

H. J. Res. 276, to authorize the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation to convey certain land to Kerr County, Tex., and such county to convey a portion thereof to the State of Texas; and

H. J. Res. 330, to provide for the acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries.

AUTOMOBILE RENTALS

Committee on Government Operations: The Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources continued hearings relative to its study of contracts for rentals of automobiles by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Today's witness was Donald L. Proulx, purchasing agent, Bureau of Indian Affairs. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

IRRIGATION—RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4308, for the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating waters for reclamation. Similar bills on the subject (H. R. 4303 and S. 1177) were also referred to the full committee. Testimony was presented by Harold Hochmuth, lands officer, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

The subcommittee also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 102, to amend the Reclamation Project Act in order to provide that the spread of general repayment contract obligations for new projects may be over 60 years (now 40 years). Witnesses heard on the subject were William E. Welsh, executive secretary, National Reclamation Association; and Floyd Dominy, Chief, Irrigation Division, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior.

COMMUNICATIONS GRANTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5614, to amend the Communications Act of 1934, to require that protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing show that the grant was improperly made or would otherwise not be in the public interest.

DAMAGE AWARDS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems held a hearing on H. R. 6875, to amend the Clayton Act so as to allow the courts discretion in awarding damages. Testimony on the proposal was received from Representative Walter, author of the bill; Representative Reed of Illinois, who filed a statement for the record; and Robert A. Bicks, legal assistant to the Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice. Will resume on the subject July 12.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered two private claim bills of the House reported favorably to the full committee.

INVENTIONS—WRIT APPLICATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3 ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 2383, amended, Inventive Contributions Awards Act of 1955; and H. R. 5649, to amend the U. S. Code in reference to applications for writs of habeas corpus by persons in custody pursuant to the judgment of a State court.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued its study of the national maritime industry and received testimony from the following representatives of the shipping companies—William Mullins, vice president, American Merchant Marine Institute; Commodore Robert C. Lee, vice chairman of the board, Moore-McCormack Lines, Inc.; and Lewis Lapham, president, Grace Line, Inc. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FEDERAL ANNUITIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee H. R. 3687, to permit inclusion, at the election of an employee for computing the amount of annuity, of service (5 or more years) rendered as a State employee in carrying out educational, agricultural, etc., functions which are financed, at least partly, by Federal funds. As amended, people who have already retired will not be permitted such recomputation as this bill provides.

BUILDINGS—RIVERS AND HARBORS—FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Approved reports on bills and projects today, as follows—

S. 1993, authorizing installation of two additional elevators in the Senate wing of the U. S. Capitol;

H. R. 6472, to amend further the Public Buildings Act of 1949 to promote the redevelopment of the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia; and

Public buildings purchase-contract agreement for Communicable Disease Center at Atlanta, Ga., to cost $12,330,000;

H. R. 6417, to revise and reenact the act authorizing the Arkansas-Mississippi Bridge Commission, its public successors or public assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Friar Point, Miss., and Helena, Ark., approved May 17, 1939;

H. R. 3210, to authorize the State of Illinois and the Sanitary District of Chicago, under the direction of the Secretary of the Army, to test, on a 3-year basis, the effect of increasing the diversion of water from Lake Michigan into the Illinois Waterway;

H. R. 3675, conveyance by quitclaim deed of certain land to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex.;

H. R. 6641, to modify the project for the Denison Reservoir on Red River in Texas and Oklahoma in order to provide for a highway bridge across Lake Texoma;

H. R. 4734, to extend the time for work done by local interests on dredging project at Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors, Calif., from July 1 to November 7, 1953, and authorizing the Secretary of the Army to make reimbursement therefor;

S. J. Res. 77, to modify the authorized project for Ferrells Bridge Reservoir, Tex., and to provide for the local cash contribution for the water supply feature of that reservoir;

H. R. 4362, to amend the act authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control, approved September 3, 1954;

H. R. 3235, to reconvey certain lands at the Demopolis lock and dam, Alabama;

H. R. 1599, to reconvey certain lands at the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Ga. and Fla.;

H. R. 6066, to modify the San Joaquin flood-control project; and

H. R. 4729, to designate the lake created by the Fall River Reservoir, Kans., as Lake Meyer.

RIVER AND HARBOR REVIEW STUDIES

Committee on Public Works: Approved the following review studies reported from the Subcommittee on Rivers with the recommendation of the Office of Chief of Engineers—

Milwaukee Harbor, Wis., a review study of survey scope and an estimated cost of $5,000;

Waukegan Harbor, Ill., a review study limited to modification of local conditions;

Duluth-Superior Harbor, Minn. and Wis., a review study and an estimated cost of $7,000;

Lorain Harbor, Ohio, a review study of survey scope to be combined with presently authorized review studies at no additional cost;

Menominee Harbor and River, Mich. and Wis., a review study to be combined with the presently authorized studies at no additional cost;

Pepperell Cove, Kittery Point, Maine, a review study to be combined with the presently authorized studies at no additional cost;

Sandusky Harbor, Ohio, a review study to be combined with the presently authorized review at no additional cost;

Delaware River at and in the vicinity of Pennsville, N. J., a review study of preliminary scope and an estimated cost of $4,000;

Escambia River, Fla., a review study of survey scope and an estimated cost of $7,000;

Larchmont Harbor, N. Y., a review study of preliminary scope and an estimated cost of $500. A review study of survey scope is estimated to cost $8,000;

Oklahoma City Canal, Arkansas River, re canal in Oklahoma, at no additional cost;

Greenport Harbor, Long Island, N. Y., a review study of preliminary scope and an estimated cost of $4,500; and

Rochester Harbor, Charlotte, N. Y., a review study of preliminary scope and an estimated cost of $5,000.

LAKE CHANNELS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors began public hearings on pending bills which would authorize the modification of the existing projects for the Great Lakes connecting channels above Lake Erie. Witnesses testifying at the session were Adm. Lyndon Spencer, president, Lake Carriers Association; Dr. Marvin A. Rapp, director, Port of Buffalo, N. Y.; Oliver Reynolds, vice president, Cleveland (Ohio) Chamber of Commerce; Representative Minshall, of Ohio; and Sterling St. John, Jr., executive director, Port of Detroit (Mich.) Commission. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

RESERVE FORCES—ALASKAN CONVENTION

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 2 hours of debate on H. R. 7000, the Armed Forces Reserve bill. Speaking in support of the proposed legislation were Representatives Vinson, Brooks of Louisiana, and Short.

Also granted an open rule providing for 1 hour debate on H. R. 5166, to permit any member of the Alaskan Legislature to be a candidate for election as a delegate in the formation of a constitutional convention and, if elected, to serve at such convention. Delegate Bartlett, of Alaska, was heard on behalf of the proposal, which he introduced in the House.

Recessed until tomorrow morning.

HOSPITAL AIDES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Hospitals held a hearing pertaining to reduction in grades of VA hospital aides. Witnesses testifying were John A. McCart and Charles J. Killduff of the

American Federation of Government Employees; and the following representatives of the Veterans' Administration—Fred P. Dukes and John R. Webster, employees; T. F. Daley, Legislative Service; and Ruth Adams, Assistant Chief Nurse.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Resumed executive study of proposed revisions of the social-security law relating to old-age and survivors' insurance. The committee is considering proposals which would provide disability-insurance benefits to persons working in covered occupation; lower from 65 to 62 years the age at which women beneficiaries may qualify for benefits; and provide payment of benefits to disabled children age 18 and over. Recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 6042, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Defense Department.

APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia.

Thursday, June 30, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared for White House Defense, D. C., and temporary appropriations, and were addressed by Prime Minister of Burma.

Senate cleared for White House bills on public debt limit and war risk benefits, and passed 45 bills on calendar call.

Mutual Security bill passed by House.

Senate Armed Services Committee approved military construction bill.

Conferees agreed to file report on State, Justice, and Judiciary appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9545–9560

Bills Introduced: 21 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2377–S. 2397; S. J. Res. 86; and S. Res. 117–120. **Pages 9548, 9551–9552, 9558**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6871, to extend for 1 year war risk hazard and detention benefits (S. Rept. 692);

H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the NATO Parliamentary Conference (S. Rept. 693);

H. R. 6829, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, with amendment (S. Rept. 694);

H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions, with amendment (S. Rept. 695);

S. 2391, extending Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years, with amendments (S. Rept. 696);

H. J. Res. 366, making temporary appropriations for fiscal 1956 for those Government agencies whose 1956 appropriations have not yet been enacted, and providing for increased pay costs (no written report);

S. Res. 119, increasing by $10,000 limit of expenditures for hearings by Committee on Armed Services (no written report); and

S. Res. 120, providing that membership of the Select Committee on Small Business be appointed at the same time and in the same manner as other standing committees of the Senate (no written report).

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Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 9590**

Appropriation Bills Cleared: The following four appropriation bills were cleared for President in the manner indicated:

Defense appropriations: H. R. 6042, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the Defense Department (by adoption of

conference report, Senate agreeing to House amendments to Senate amendments No. 5, respecting Emergency Fund for Interservice Activities, and No. 33, respecting certain work performed by civilian personnel);

D. C. appropriations: H. R. 6239, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the District of Columbia (by adoption of conference report);

Additional appropriations, House of Representatives: H. J. Res. 365, making additional appropriation of $12,000 for House of Representatives folding room for fiscal year 1955 (by passage without amendment); and

Temporary appropriations: H. J. Res. 366, making temporary appropriations for fiscal 1956 for those Government agencies whose 1956 appropriations have not yet been enacted, and providing for increased pay costs (by passage without amendment).

Pages 9543–9545, 9591

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 45 bills were passed, of which 43 were private, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Private bills: 25 private bills, H. R. 928, 990, 1111, 1163, 1247, 1255, 1281, 1283, 1287, 1357, 1417, 1467, 1472, 1473, 1474, 1475, 1525, 2933, 3069, 3070, 3075, 989, 2470, 3194, and 3271.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Private bills: Seven private bills, H. R. 1044, 1155, 3074, 1745, 2769, 3363, and 4182.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Private bills: Six private bills, S. 717, 1084, 1112, 1126, 1154, and 1220.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Connecticut highways: S. 1577, to enable the State of Connecticut to proceed with its program of highway modernization;

Maryland and Delaware boundaries: S. 987, authorizing the Commerce Department to assist the States of Maryland and Delaware to reestablish their common boundary; and

Private bills: Five private bills, S. 550, 1337, 315, 476, and 415. Pages 9561–9564

Household Effects Importation: Senate passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 5560, to extend for 3 years the existing privilege of free importation of personal and household effects brought into U. S. under Government orders. Pages 9564–9566

D. C. Judges: Senate adopted conference report on S. 727, to adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, municipal court, juvenile court, and the tax court. Page 9560

War Risk Benefits: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 6871, to extend for 1 year war risk hazard and detention benefits.

Pages 9560–9561

Authority To Report: Committee on Armed Services was authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 9573

Public Debt: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 6992, to extend for 1 year the existing temporary increase in the public debt limit.

Pages 9565, 9573–9576

Burmese Prime Minister: Senate was addressed briefly by Prime Minister U Nu, of Burma. Pages 9576–9577

Private Bill: By unanimous consent, S. 235, a private bill, was recommitted to Committee on the Judiciary.

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D. C. Public Utilities: S. 184, District of Columbia Public Utilities Regulation Act of 1955, was passed, after adoption of committee amendments thereto.

Pages 9576, 9591–9592

Military Public Works: H. R. 6829, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, was made Senate's unfinished business.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:47 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm price support program, having as its witness Thomas D. Campbell, president, Campbell Farming Corp. of Hardin, Mont., and Albuquerque, N. Mex. Hearings continue tomorrow.

AGRICULTURAL SURPLUSES

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Disposal of Agricultural Surpluses resumed its hearings, with testimony today concerning the bartering of surplus commodities. Witnesses heard were Earl M. Hughes, Administrator, and Thomas R. Rawlings, Director of the Barter and Stockpiling Division, both of the Commodity Stabilization Service.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: In an evening session on Wednesday, June 29, the subcommittee completed marking up H. R. 6766, fiscal 1956 appropriations for public works, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee with amendments.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, agreed to adopt the report of its Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction on

H. R. 6829, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the Senate with an amendment in the nature of a substitute bill.

The committee also ordered favorably reported 167 nominations in the Army, Marine Corps, and Air Force, and an original resolution (S. Res. 119) increasing by $10,000 the limit of expenditures for hearings before the Committee on Armed Services.

SECURITIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities continued its hearings on S. 2054, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, to provide for regulation of unlisted securities, with testimony favoring enactment of the bill from Winthrop H. Smith, representing Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane, and Keith Funston, president, New York Stock Exchange. Testimony in opposition to the bill was heard from Henry G. Riter, III, president of NAM, and Ewing T. Boles, president of the Investment Dealers of Ohio. Subcommittee also heard testimony from Charles F. Eaton, Jr., National Association of Investment Companies, who proposed an amendment to the bill to exempt investment companies.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. CAPITAL TRANSIT CO.

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, Welfare, and Safety met in executive session with Samuel Spencer, President, Robert E. McLaughlin, Commissioner, and Thomas A. Lane, Engineer Commissioner, all of the D. C. Board of Commissioners, to discuss the present status of negotiations of the threatened strike in the Capital Transit Co.

Following this meeting, the subcommittee held an open session to discuss this matter with the D. C. Commissioners, George E. C. Hayes, Chairman, and Robert M. Weston, member, both of the D. C. Public Utilities Commission, and J. A. B. Broadwater, chairman of the board of directors, Capital Transit Co.

YUMA, ARIZ., IRRIGATION BILLS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held and concluded hearings on the following bills:

On S. 1683, to amend act limiting boundaries of the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona, with favoring testimony from Don Mitchell, Irrigation Division, Bureau of Reclamation;

On S. 1818, to limit the amount of land on Federal irrigation projects which may be exchanged under the act of August 13, 1953, with favoring testimony from Floyd Dominy and Don Mitchell, both of the Irrigation Division, Bureau of Reclamation, and Edgar Shahan, of Roll, Ariz., representing American Legion;

On S. 1689, authorizing repayment contract with Yuma-Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Gila project, Arizona, with favoring testimony from Floyd Dominy, Charles Sweet, and T. P. Ahrens, all of the Bureau of Reclamation, and John Gardner, president, and Everett Miller, both of the Yuma-Mesa Irrigation District; proposing amendment to this bill was A. J. Eddy, attorney for Yuma County Water Users Association, accompanied by Ernest Johanson, Don Scott, James Carter, and Barron Moody; and

On S. 2202, authorizing additional repayment contract with Yuma County Water Users Association, with favoring testimony from W. I. Palmer, Bureau of Reclamation, Barron Moody, Yuma County Water Users Association, and A. J. Eddy, attorney for the association.

Senators Hayden and Goldwater testified in favor of enactment of all four of these bills.

LEAD AND ZINC INDUSTRY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Minerals, Materials, and Fuels concluded its hearings on S. 2046, to encourage the discovery, development, and production of domestic lead and zinc, hearing testimony today in opposition to the bill from Arthur S. Flemming, Director of ODM; Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary of Interior; and Spencer S. Shannon, Sr., Director, Office of Minerals Mobilization, Interior Department. Subcommittee also heard testimony from A. J. Walsh, Commissioner, Emergency Procurement Service, GSA.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

MERGERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its hearings on corporate mergers, having as its witnesses Thomas S. Nichols, president, Olin-Mathieson Chemical Corp., and James J. Nance, president, Studebaker-Packard Corp. Hearings continue tomorrow.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee continued its hearings on the subject of subversion and espionage in the U. S. press, with testimony from Charles Grutzner, a writer for the New York Times. The witness stated that he had been a member of the Communist Party while employed by the Brooklyn Eagle in the late 1930's, and that he separated from the Communist Party in 1940. Mr. Grutzner's testimony corroborated much of the story told the subcommittee yesterday by Winston Burdett regarding Communist espionage in the newspaper reporting field. He denied that he had ever been disciplined in any way

regarding a story that he wrote in Korea as a correspondent for the New York Times.

Also appearing before the subcommittee today were Matt Einhorn, Washington, D. C., presently public relations man for Peoples Government of Poland, Amos Landman, of New York City, Victor Weingarten, Pleasantville, N. Y., and John Francis Ryan, Sea Cliff, Long Island, N. Y., all of whom stated that they are not now members of the Communist Party, but refused to testify as to their Communist affiliations prior to certain periods; and Gladys Bentley, who refused on grounds of possible self-incrimination (fifth amendment) to answer most of the questions of the subcommittee, including questions regarding her Communist affiliations.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Buildings and Grounds, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with an amendment S. 1210, to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1949 so as to eliminate the 1-year limitation on the period of leases of space for Federal agencies in the D. C.

The full committee will meet on Tuesday, July 5, to consider this bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H. R. 7117–7138; 5 private bills, H. R. 7139–7143; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 365–367, H. Con. Res. 182 and 183, and H. Res. 293 and 294, were introduced.

Pages 9601, 9630–9631, 9667, 9677–9678

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. J. Res. 365, making an additional appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 (H. Rept. 1032);

H. J. Res. 366, making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1956 and providing for increased pay costs for fiscal year 1955, amended (H. Rept. 1033);

Two private bills, H. R. 3073 and 3373 (H. Repts. 1034 and 1035);

H. R. 7117, making appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1036);

H. Res. 293, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 3210, authorizing a test, on a 3-year basis, of the effect of increasing the diversion of water from Lake Michigan into the Illinois Waterway (H. Rept. 1037);

H. R. 482, conveyance of a portion of the former O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo., to the State of Missouri (H. Rept. 1038);

H. R. 2889, conveyance of certain land in Necedah, Wis., to the village of Necedah (H. Rept. 1039);

H. R. 3757, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to donate certain property to the American National Red Cross (H. Rept. 1040);

H. J. Res. 276, to authorize the conveyance of certain land to Kerr County, Tex., and to authorize the county to convey a portion thereof to the State of Texas (H. Rep. 1041);

H. Res. 294, to waive points of order against provisions of H. R. 7117, making appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1042); and

Conference report on H. R. 5502, making appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1043).

Pages 9631, 9667, 9677

Appropriation, Additional: Adopted H. J. Res. 365, making an additional appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955, and sent the resolution to the Senate. The resolution appropriates $12,000 for operating the folding room of the House of Representatives.

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Defense Department Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 6042, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1956, and sent the bill to the Senate. Amendments Nos. 5, 6, 20, and 33 were in disagreement and on which the House voted to recede and concur in amendments Nos. 6 and 20, and to recede and concur with a further amendment to amendments Nos. 5 and 33. Pages 9600, 9600–9606

D. C. Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 6239, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia for fiscal year 1956, and sent the bill to the Senate. Pages 9606–9608

Burma: Prime Minister U Nu of Burma addressed the House briefly. He was escorted to and from the House Chamber by Representatives McCormack, Richards, and Chiperfield. Pages 9629, 9629–9630

Temporary Appropriations: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. J. Res. 366, making temporary appropriations for fiscal year 1956 and providing for increased pay costs for fiscal year 1955. This resolu-

tion provides funds for operation of certain Government agencies pending enactment of regular appropriation bill. Pages 9630–9631

Household Imports: H. R. 5560, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders, was cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. Pages 9631–9632

Mutual Security: Passed, by record vote of 273 yeas to 128 nays, S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954. A motion to recommit the bill was rejected by voice vote. Adopted an amendment designed to express the sense of Congress that loans should be made rather than grants wherever possible in the foreign assistance program.

Also adopted an amendment to delete language exempting the shipping of surplus agricultural commodities from the requirement that at least 50 percent must be shipped in American ships.

Rejected amendments designed to—

Bar assistance to countries unless they waive all criminal jurisdiction over U. S. military personnel in such countries;

Delete $70 million authorization for development assistance to India;

Create a commission to study and remove obstacles from private capital program for developing backward countries;

Cut $100 million from the President's fund for Asian Economic Development;

Increase by $100 million, the authorization for guaranteeing private capital investments;

Fix 1955 payment to World Health Organization at 33⅓ percent of its total membership assessments; and

Bar any assistance to Yugoslavia.

This bill authorizes appropriations totaling $3,285,800,000 for carrying forward the Mutual Security Program as compared with $2,781,499,816 appropriated last year; the Congress also appropriated a carryover of $2,462,075,979 or a total of $5,243,575,795 for fiscal year of 1955.

The House agreed to insist on its amendments to S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Richards, Morgan, Zablocki, Vorys, and Judd. Pages 9608–9629, 9632–9666

Bill Re-referred: The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 7007, to provide for the conveyance by the United States of a portion of the Veterans' Administration hospital site, Toledo, Ohio, to certain school authorities, and the bill was re-referred to the Committee on Government Operations. Page 9668

Bills Referred: Nine Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9676

Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:18 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Concluded public hearings in connection with its study of pending legislative proposals to increase the national hourly minimum wage standards. Testifying at the final session were representatives of the National Cotton Council, the National Cotton Compress & Cotton Warehouse Association, American Farm Bureau Federation, and the Committee for Constitutional Government.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee held further executive consideration of pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities. Recessed until next Wednesday morning.

PUBLIC DEFENDERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 (in executive session on June 29) voted to vacate its action of June 28, when it ordered adversely reported to the full committee the following bills which would provide for the representation of indigent defendants in criminal cases in U. S. district courts by a public defender—H. R. 3142, 3229, 3881, 4103, and 6872.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Lewis Laphan, president, Grace Line, Inc., completed his testimony today on the problems of the national maritime industry. Recessed until Wednesday, July 6.

LAKE CHANNELS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors concluded public hearings on pending bills which would authorize the modification of the existing projects for the Great Lakes connecting channels above Lake Erie. Witnesses testifying were John C. Deukema, Muskegon, Mich., president of the Great Lakes Harbor Association; Harry Brockel, director, Port of Milwaukee (Wis.) Commission; and Dr. N. R. Danielian, president, Great Lakes St. Lawrence Association.

APPROPRIATIONS—GREAT LAKES

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule waiving points of order against H. R. 7117, the Legislative appropriation bill for 1956. Representatives Norrell and Horan spoke on the proposal.

Also granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 3210, to authorize the State of Illinois and the Sanitary District of Chicago, under the direction of the Secretary of the Army, to test, on a 3-year basis, the effect of increasing the diversion of water from Lake Michigan into the Illinois Waterway. Representatives O'Brien of Illinois and Yates appeared on the legislation.

HOUSING

Committee on Rules: Heard Representatives Spence and Wolcott today in connection with a request for a rule on S. 2126, the Housing Amendments of 1955. Took no action and recessed until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—STATE, JUSTICE, AND JUDICIARY

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared State-Justice appropriations for President.

Senate passed military construction bill and took up public works appropriation bill.

House passed Reserve Forces bill and legislative appropriations.

Senate committee reported fiscal 1956 public works appropriation bill.

Bill relating to veterans' survivor benefits cleared for House debate by Rules Committee; rule request on Housing Act amendments rejected.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9698–9704

Bills Introduced: 6 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2398–S. 2403; S. J. Res. 87; and S. Res. 121. **Pages 9698, 9699, 9734–9735**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 245, relative to construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in Alaska (S. Rept. 697);

H. R. 3636, private bill (S. Rept. 698);

H. R. 3990, authorizing Federal investigation of water resources projects in Alaska, with amendment (S. Rept. 699); and

H. R. 6766, fiscal 1956 appropriations for public works, with amendments (S. Rept. 700). **Page 9698**

President's Message—Private Bill: Message from President returning at Senate's request S. 195, a private bill, was received and with accompanying bill was ordered to lie on table. **Page 9697**

Military Construction: Senate passed with amendment H. R. 6829, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, after adopting committee amendment (in nature of a substitute) which had first been amended by adoption of Stennis amendment authorizing leasing during fiscal years 1956 and 1957 of certain housing facilities for military personnel at not more than $150 per month per unit.

Senate insisted on its amendment, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Stennis, Jackson, Byrd, Case (South Dakota), and Saltonstall.

Pages 9704–9718

Small Business: S. Res. 120, providing that membership of the Select Committee on Small Business be appointed at the same time and in the same manner as other standing committees of the Senate, was adopted.

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NATO Parliamentary Conference: Senate passed without amendment, completing legislative action on, H. Con. Res. 109, authorizing the appointment of a congressional delegation to attend the NATO Parliamentary Conference. **Page 9725**

State, Justice, Judiciary Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H. R. 5502, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies, agreeing to House amendment to Senate amendment No. 30, respecting special temporary attorneys and assistants, Department of Justice, and to No. 49, earmarking $350,000 for certain broadcasting purposes by USIA.

Pages 9719–9725

Mutual Security: Senate disagreed to House amendments to S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators George, Green, Fulbright, Wiley, and Smith (New Jersey). Page 9732

Public Works Appropriations: H. R. 6766, fiscal 1956 appropriations for public works, was made the Senate's unfinished business. Page 9725

Committee Expenditures: S. Res. 119, increasing by $10,000 limit of expenditures for hearings by Committee on Armed Services, was, by unanimous consent, taken from calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 9699

Nominations: 1 judicial and 314 Navy nominations were received. Pages 9735–9736

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:46 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM PRICE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee continued its hearings on farm price support program, having as its witness D. Howard Doane, chairman of the board of Doane Agriculture Service, Inc., St. Louis, appearing on behalf of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. Committee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, completed the markup on H. R. 6766, fiscal 1956 appropriations for public works, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the Senate with amendments. As approved, the bill would provide total funds of $1,377,491,000, an increase of $5,368,200 over the House-approved figure of $1,372,122,800.

SECURITIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Securities continued its hearings on S. 2054, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, to provide for regulation of unlisted securities, with testimony in favor of the bill, but with certain suggested amendments, from Edward T. McCormick, president, American Stock Exchange. Testimony in opposition to this bill was heard from Harold E. Wood, chairman of the board, National Association of Security Dealers; Charles H. Schreyer, Manufacturers Association of Connecticut; Ralph P. Coleman, Jr., editor of Over the Counter Securities Review; and Tyre Taylor, general counsel, Southern States Industrial Council.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NOMINATIONS—LOCOMOTIVE INSPECTION, ICC

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Surface Transportation Subcommittee, in executive session, by a vote of 3 to 1, ordered favorably reported to the full committee the nomination of John A. Hall, of California, to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC.

COAST GUARD OFFICERS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries held and concluded hearings on the following two bills:

On H. R. 5875, providing involuntary retirement of certain officers in the Coast Guard, with testimony favoring its enactment from Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard; and

On S. 1834, computation of retired pay of certain retired commissioned officers of the Coast Guard, with favoring testimony from Capt. F. O. Willenbucher, USN (retired), executive vice president and legal counsel, Retired Officers Association.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

MERGERS

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its current series of hearings on corporate mergers, having as its witness Theodore G. Montague, president, the Borden Co.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: In an evening session on Thursday, June 30, the Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings with regard to certain information on the Dixon-Yates power contract, with further testimony from Director of the Bureau of the Budget Rowland R. Hughes.

JUDGESHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Improvements in the Judicial Machinery held hearings on S. 1256, the omnibus judgeship bill, with testimony today from Elmore Whitehurst, Assistant Director, and Will Shafroth, Chief of Statistics Division, both of the Administrative Offices of the U. S. Courts; Chief Judge John Biggs, Jr., third judicial circuit, U. S. Court of Appeals; Robert W. Minor, First Assistant to the Deputy Attorney General; and Joseph H. Lesh, Assistant to the Deputy Attorney General. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

HEARINGS—WALSH-HEALEY ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee announced that a hearing subcommittee (Senators Kennedy, chairman, Douglas, and Goldwater) of its Subcommittee on Labor will hold hearings for 1 week beginning July 11 on S. 738 and related proposals to amend the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H. R. 7144–7161; 8 private bills, H. R. 7162–7169; and 12 resolutions, H. J. Res. 368–374, H. Con. Res. 184–186; and H. Res. 295 and 296, were introduced. Pages 9819, 9823–9824

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 4852, a private bill (H. Rept. 1044);

Report of the Select Committee on Small Business entitled "The Small Business Administration and Related Activities—A Preliminary Report" (H. Rept. 1045);

H. R. 4744, amending the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937, as amended, and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act with regard to annuities (H. Rept. 1046);

H. R. 6641, modifying the project for the Denison Reservoir on Red River in Texas and Oklahoma in order to provide for a highway bridge across Lake Texoma (H. Rept. 1047);

H. R. 6472, amending further the Public Buildings Act of 1949 to promote the redevelopment of the southwestern portion of the District of Columbia, amended (H. Rept. 1048);

H. Res. 295, providing for consideration of, 2 hours of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H. R. 7089, to provide benefits for the survivors of servicemen and veterans (H. Rept. 1049);

H. R. 6417, reviving and reenacting the act "Authorizing the Arkansas-Mississippi Bridge Commission to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Friar Point, Miss., and Helena, Ark., approved May 17, 1939" (H. Rept. 1050); and

H. R. 5614, amending the Communications Act of 1934 in regard to protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing (H. Rept. 1051).

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State, Justice, Judiciary Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 5502, making appropriations for the Departments of State and Justice, the Judiciary, and related agencies for fiscal year 1956. Amendments Nos. 2, 12, 13, 27, 30, 35, 37, 46, and 49 were in disagreement. The House receded and concurred with further amendments to Senate amendments Nos. 30 and 49; and receded and concurred to the other amendments that were in disagreement. Pages 9737–9740

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Reserve Forces: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces, after rejecting a motion to recommit the bill by a division vote of 52 yeas to 161 nays.

In addition to committee amendments the House adopted an amendment providing that young men who have completed high school or have reached age of 19 and who are under 20 may volunteer for Reserve duty in lieu of induction and they shall be exempted as long as they serve as reservists.

Also adopted an amendment making qualified graduates of Navy ROTC eligible for commissions.

Rejected an antisegregation amendment by a teller vote of 105 yeas to 156 nays, while in the Committee of the Whole.

H. Res. 291, making in order the consideration of the bill, had been adopted previously. Pages 9741, 9782–9811

President's Message—Veto: Received a veto message from the President giving his reasons for withholding his approval of H. R. 5188, to prohibit publication by the Government of the United States of any prediction with respect to apple prices. The message and the bill were referred to the Committee on Agriculture and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 213).

Pages 9811–9812

Legislative Appropriations: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 7117, making appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1956, without amendment.

This bill provides appropriations totaling $66,298,175, to be allotted as follows: House of Representatives, $31,123,305; joint offices, $2,398,870; Architect of the Capitol, $11,220,000; Botanic Gardens, $246,000; Library of Congress, $9,660,000; and Government Printing Office, $11,650,000. Funds for the expenses of the Senate will be inserted later by the Senate. Pages 9812–9818

Subpena: Adopted H. Res. 296, relating to compliance by the Clerk of the House to a subpena duces tecum issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Page 9819

Bills Referred: 14 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9822

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals approved the following projects today—(*a*) emergency construction at Fort Sheridan, Ill.; (*b*) one Army classified emergency, and one Air Force classified emergency; (*c*) Navy Acquisition No. 108, at Mayport, Fla.; (*d*) Navy Acquisition No. 120, at San Bruno, Calif. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: The Kelley (Pennsylvania) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 7152, to provide Federal assistance to States for school construction programs. This subcommittee prepared a bill at the direction of Chairman Barden for full committee consideration, and held its first meeting on June 1.

GERMAN-JAPANESE CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: An ad hoc subcommittee today heard testimony on pending proposals to improve the relations of the United States with West Germany and Japan, relating to claims by those countries (H. J. Res. 264, 265, 268, and 272). Witnesses heard on the subject were Representative St. George, of New York; O. K. Armstrong, former Member of the House from Missouri; Walworth Barbour, a Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs; Charles F. Collier, professor of international law, George Washington University; and David Ginsburg and Lykes M. Boykin, attorneys, of Washington, D. C.

MINES AND MINING

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House, each amended—

H. R. 6373, to amend the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals;

H. R. 6994, to provide for entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the United States classified as, or known to be, valuable for coal;

H. R. 7066, to provide for the conservation of anthracite coal resources through measures of flood control and anthracite mine drainage.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee heard further testimony today on H. R. 412, to authorize Federal construction, operation, and maintenance of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project in Colorado. Officials of the Bureau of Reclamation who testified were Wilbur A. Dexheimer, Commissioner; George Tomlinson, Assistant Director of the Project Development Division; Emil Lindseth, assistant regional director, region No. 7, Denver (Colo.); and Ben Powell, of the Pueblo (Colo.) office. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Reconsidered, and ordered reported to the House, H. R. 4744, to remove the $40 limitation now placed upon the amount of annuity payable to spouses of individuals under the Railroad Retirement Act, and to make the amount equal to the maximum amount which could be paid to such person under section 202 (b) of the Social Security Act (as originally introduced).

Withdrew an amendment, that was adopted to the bill when it was ordered reported last Tuesday, which included the provisions of H. R. 5702, to remove restriction on employment as to annuitants under the Railroad Retirement Act.

IMMIGRATION—PROCEDURAL COMMISSION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 reported favorably to the full committee 8 private immigration bills of the House and reported adversely on 1 other. Also held a public hearing on H. R. 5061, to establish a Commission to be known as the Attorney General's Commission on International Rules of Judicial Procedure (to consist of five members). Witnesses heard on this proposal were Herman Phleger, legal adviser, Department of State; and Philip Amram, of the American Bar Association.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS—HOUSING

Committee on Rules: Granted a closed rule providing for 2 hours of general debate on H. R. 7089, to furnish benefits provided under Federal law for surviving dependents of deceased members and former members of the Armed Forces. Representatives Hardy and Teague of Texas spoke on the proposal.

Voted not to grant a rule on S. 2126, the Housing Amendments of 1955. Testimony in favor on this measure was received from Representatives Brown of Georgia, Rains, McDonough, Multer, and O'Hara of Illinois. Opposition testimony was received from Representatives Wolcott, Nicholson, Talle, and Hiestand.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met for executive briefing by Representative Fallon, of Maryland, in connection with H. R. 7072, the Federal-aid highway program.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 5, 1955, through June 30, 1955.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through June 30, 1955

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	84	92	..
Time in session	414 hrs., 38′	345 hrs., 39′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	4,679	3,611	8,290
Appendix	..	..	4,824
Public bills enacted into law	44	67	111
Private bills enacted into law	..	..	132
Bills in conference	2	10	12
Bills through conference	3	17	20
Measures passed, total	700	860	..
Senate bills	346	99	..
House bills	239	577	..
Senate joint resolutions	15	10	..
House joint resolutions	10	14	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	16	9	..
House concurrent resolutions	8	16	..
Simple resolutions	66	135	201
Measures reported, total	*749	*991	..
Senate bills	364	96	..
House bills	235	743	..
Senate joint resolutions	19	5	..
House joint resolutions	8	20	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	17	7	..
House concurrent resolutions	9	11	..
Simple resolutions	97	109	206
Special reports	15	30	..
Conference reports	..	22	..
Reported measures not acted on	**19	**177	..
Measures introduced, total	2,648	7,987	10,635
Bills	2,397	7,143	9,540
Joint resolutions	86	367	453
Concurrent resolutions	45	183	228
Simple resolutions	120	294	414
Quorum calls	51	51	102
Yea-and-nay votes	65	54	119
Bills vetoed	2	..	2
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 696 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,043 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through June 30, 1955

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,189, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	693
Withdrawn	9
Rejected	2
Unconfirmed	485
Army nominations, totaling 4,568, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4,565
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	3
Air Force nominations, totaling 3,592, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,379
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	213
Navy nominations, totaling 16,252, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	16,252
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 10,258, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	10,255
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	3
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,634, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,604
Withdrawn	1
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	29

Summary

Total nominations received	37,493
Total withdrawn	10
Total rejected	2
Total unconfirmed	733
Total confirmed	36,748

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	House					Senate					Public law			Increase or decrease compared to budget estimates to date
		Budget estimates to House	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Budget estimates to Senate	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.	
	1955 APPROPRIATIONS														
	Supplemental														
H. R. 2091	Urgent Deficiency, 1955	----------	Jan. 13	$25,000	Jan. 13	$25,000	----------	Jan. 17	$993,950	Jan. 18	$1,013,950	Jan. 25	$1,013,950	3	+$1,013,950
H.J. Res. 252	Justice, 1955	$750,000	Mar. 14	710,000	Mar. 14	710,000	$750,000	Mar. 15	710,000	Mar. 16	710,000	Mar. 16	710,000	13	−40,000
H. R. 4903	Second Supplemental	920,523,454	Mar. 15	855,212,429	Mar. 18	857,187,429	952,002,718	Apr. 13	938,402,835	Apr. 14	945,412,835	Apr. 22	898,805,875	24	−53,196,843
H.J. Res. 310	Second Urgent Deficiency, 1955	28,263,475	May 19	25,263,475	May 19	25,263,475	28,263,475	May 23	25,263,475	May 25	25,263,475	May 27	25,263,475	48	−3,000,000
H.J. Res. 365	House of Representatives item	----------	June 30	12,000	June 30	12,000	----------	June 30	12,000	June 30	12,000	June 30	12,000	120	+12,000
	Regular														
	(Fiscal 1956)														
H. R. 4876	Treasury-Post Office	3,360,250,000	Mar. 11	3,282,553,000	Mar. 15	3,282,553,000	3,360,385,000	Apr. 12	3,358,622,000	Apr. 13	3,358,622,000	June 1	3,322,488,500	51	−37,896,500
H. R. 5046	Labor-H. E. W	2,432,148,861	Mar. 18	2,337,522,261	Mar. 21	2,337,522,261	2,432,148,861	June 2	2,404,055,600	June 6	2,404,905,600	----------	----------	------	−27,243,261
H. R. 5085	Interior	313,353,056	Mar. 21	298,271,246	Mar. 24	297,925,546	314,523,056	May 2	327,987,038	May 5	327,987,038	----------	*317,573,627	------	+3,050,571
H. R. 5239	Agriculture	897,684,574	Mar. 25	880,260,050	Mar. 28	880,260,050	898,384,574	Apr. 21	884,393,923	Apr. 26	884,433,923	May 23	883,051,623	40	−15,332,951
H. R. 5240	Independent Offices	5,639,790,000	Mar. 26	5,845,595,375	Mar. 30	5,845,595,375	5,640,140,000	June 2	5,882,379,500	June 6	5,848,394,500	June 30	*5,842,458,500	112	+202,318,500
H. R. 5502	State, Justice, Judiciary	483,531,912	Apr. 13	450,398,227	Apr. 14	450,398,227	483,531,912	May 26	481,985,418	May 31	481,985,418	----------	----------	------	−1,546,494
H. R. 6042	Defense	32,232,815,000	May 5	31,488,206,000	May 12	31,488,206,000	32,232,815,000	June 14	31,836,521,336	June 20	31,882,915,726	----------	*31,882,815,726	------	−349,999,274
H. R. 6239	District of Columbia	(175,405,300)	May 12	(166,547,509)	May 19	(166,901,780)	(175,462,020)	June 22	(169,456,749)	June 23	(169,456,749)	----------	*(168,843,440)	------	(−6,618,580)
	Federal payment	21,892,700	----------	17,892,700	----------	17,892,700	21,892,700	----------	21,892,700	----------	21,892,700	----------	*19,892,700	------	−2,000,000
H. R. 6367	Commerce	1,366,393,000	May 19	1,121,435,000	May 24	1,123,685,000	1,366,393,000	June 10	1,314,617,300	June 16	1,317,192,300	June 30	*1,245,360,000	121	−121,033,000
H. R. 6499	General Government	27,700,700	May 26	21,890,700	June 1	21,890,700	28,777,700	June 17	27,166,300	June 21	27,166,300	June 29	27,166,300	110	−1,611,400
H. R. 6766	Public Works	1,789,165,000	June 10	1,285,746,242	June 16	1,372,122,800	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	−417,042,200
H. R. 7117	Legislative	67,572,138	June 30	66,298,175	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	------	−1,273,963

*Amount agreed to in conference.

Tuesday, July 5, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed public works appropriation bill.
House passed 141 miscellaneous bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9841–9855

Bills Introduced: 17 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2404–S. 2420; and S. Res. 122.

Pages 9837, 9842

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 787, granting consent of Congress to Missouri Basin States to negotiate Missouri River Basin Compact, with amendment (S. Rept. 701); and

S. 1210, to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1949, so as to eliminate the 1-year limitation on the period of leases of space for Federal agencies in the D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 702). Page 9842

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 9834

Prayers for Majority Leader: Senate adopted S. Res. 122, urging prayers for recovery of Senator Johnson of Texas, its majority leader.

Members of Senate then stood in silent prayer for Senator Johnson. Pages 9834–9841

Mutual Security: Senator George was excused from further service as conferee on S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954, and Senator Sparkman was appointed in his place. Page 9848

Public Lands: Senate insisted on its amendment to H. R. 5891, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Anderson, O'Mahoney, Jackson, Millikin, and Watkins.

Pages 9854–9855

Public Works Appropriations: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 6766, fiscal 1956 appropriations for public works, after taking the following actions on amendments:

Adopted: All committee amendments en bloc; Ellender amendment (on behalf of committee) reducing from $1 million to $500,000 earmarked funds for hurricane survey authorized by Public Law 71 of 84th Congress; and Stennis amendment to increase by $80,000 funds for flood control, Mississippi River; and

Rejected: Fulbright amendment to increase by $550,000 funds for Dardanelle Dam and $75,000 funds for Beaver Reservoir, both Arkansas.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Ellender, Hayden, Russell, McClellan, Robertson, Hill, Kilgore, Magnuson, Kerr, Anderson, Knowland, Saltonstall, Young, Thye, Mundt, Smith of Maine, and Dworshak.

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Alaskan Roads: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 245, relative to construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in Alaska. Page 9883

Nominations: 1 judicial nomination was received, along with 48 Army. Page 9883

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:01 p. m.

Committee Meetings

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking began hearings on S. 880 and H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies, and S. 2350, to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests, receiving testimony from William McC. Martin, Jr., Chairman, accompanied by J. L. Robertson, member, both of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Ray M. Gidney, Comptroller of the Currency, and L. A. Jennings, Deputy Comptroller; H. Earl Cook, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; W. J. Bryan, chairman, legislative committee, Independent Bankers Association; and Harry J. Harding, president, Independent Bankers Association, 12th Federal Reserve District.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 1210, to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1949, so as to eliminate the 1-year limitation on the period of leases of space for Federal agencies in the D. C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 4 public bills, H. R. 7170–7173; 4 private bills, H. R. 7174–7177; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 375–377 and H. Res. 297, were introduced.

Pages 9934, 9941

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 279, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the hearing on Communist activities in the Fort Wayne, Ind., area for the use of the Committee on Un-American Activities (H. Rept. 1052);

H. Con. Res. 148, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the hearings held by the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on Radiation Sterilization of Foods (H. Rept. 1053);

H. Res. 147, to provide funds for the expense of the investigations and studies authorized by H. Res. 144 (H. Rept. 1054);

H. Res. 156, to provide funds for the expense of the investigations and studies authorized by H. Res. 266 (H. Rept. 1055);

H. R. 4362, amending the act entitled "An act authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control," approved September 3, 1954 (H. Rept. 1056);

H. R. 7066, providing for the conservation of anthracite coal resources through measures of flood control and anthracite mine drainage (H. Rept. 1057); and

H. Con. Res. 94, favoring the waiver of State residence requirements in certain elections (H. Rept. 1058).

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Administrative Resolutions: Considered and adopted the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

Printing: H. Res. 279, authorizing the printing of 3,500 additional copies of the hearing on Communist activities in the Fort Wayne, Ind., area for the use of the Committee on Un-American Activities.

Printing: H. Con. Res. 148, authorizing the printing of 25,000 additional copies of the hearings held by the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on Radiation Sterilization of Foods.

Committee expenses: H. Res. 147, to provide $50,000 for the expenses of the studies and investigations of the Committee on Public Works as authorized by H. Res. 144.

Committee expenses: H. Res. 156, to provide funds for the expenses of the studies and investigations of the Committee on Agriculture as authorized by H. Res. 206.

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Military Public Works: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6829, to authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Vinson, Brooks of Louisiana, Kilday, Short, and Arends. Page 9883

Consent Calendar: On the call of the Consent Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President:

Massachusetts land transfer: S. 107, provides for the conveyance of a portion of the Fort Devens Military Reservation, Mass., to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Naval Reserve: S. 800, to repeal the act limiting the date of filing claims for retainer pay with respect to members of Naval Reserve Force or Marine Corps Reserve.

Armed services: S. 802, to amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act regarding removal of requirement for final physical examination.

Armed services pay: S. 804, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 regarding advance payments to members of uniformed services.

Deceased veterans' accounts: S. 933, authorizing members of the uniformed services of the U. S. to designate beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive the amount found due them at the time of death.

Federal Property Act: S. 1007 (in lieu of H. R. 3758), to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Service Act of 1949.

Aliens—military service: S. 1137, extends from June 30, 1955, to June 30, 1957, the period during which unmarried aliens between the ages of 18 and 35 who are without dependents may enlist in the Regular Army.

Connecticut waterway: S. 1300, to declare a certain portion of the waterway at Greenwich, Conn., a nonnavigable stream.

Connecticut waterway: S. 1469, declaring the portion of the waterway at Bridgeport, Conn., known as the West Branch of Cedar Creek, a nonnavigable stream.

Military service extension: S. 1571 (in lieu of H. R. 5000), authorizes voluntary extensions of enlistments in the Army, Navy, and Air Force for periods of less than 1 year.

Military pay: S. 1725 (in lieu of H. R. 5270), to repeal two provisions of law requiring that certain military personnel shall be paid monthly.

Reserve component benefits: S. 2135 (in lieu of H. R. 6601), to provide for the suspension of certain benefits in the case of members of the Reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps ordered to extended active duty in time of war or national emergency.

Also concluded legislative action on H. Res. 278, providing that H. R. 5421, a private bill, and all accompanying papers shall be referred to the U. S. Court of Claims.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Prisoners of war: H. R. 1617, concerning the waiver of premiums for certain prisoners of war.

Sedition: H. R. 2854, to amend title 18 of the U. S. Code so as to increase the penalties applicable to seditious conspiracy, advocating overthrow of government, and conspiracy to advocate overthrow of government.

Merchant marine recapture: H. R. 4118, a bill to amend section 606 (5) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, relating to the computation of the 10-year recapture period.

Judges, retirement: H. R. 4792, to amend U. S. Code relating to resignation and retirement of judges.

Naval retirement: H. R. 4886, provides that active service in the Army and Air Force shall be included in determining the eligibility for retirement of commissioned officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard with 20 years of service.

Florida State Hospital: H. R. 5522, for the relief of the Florida State Hospital.

Civil Air Patrol: H. R. 5623, to authorize the nomination of certain members of the Civil Air Patrol as cadets at the U. S. Air Force Academy.

Mustering-out payments: H. R. 5792, to amend the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, to extend the time for filing claims for mustering-out payments.

Veterans' Pensions: H. R. 5893, to amend paragraph I (a), part I, of Veterans Regulation No. 1 (a), as amended, to make its provisions applicable to active service on and after June 27, 1950, and prior to February 1, 1955.

Judges, retired: H. R. 6248, to provide for the maintenance of a roster of retired judges available for special judicial duty and for their assignment to such duty by the Chief Justice of the U. S.

Military personnel: H. R. 6277, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 concerning transportation and storage of household goods.

Hawaii: H. R. 6331, relating to sale or lease of certain shorelands and tidelands in Hawaii and to authorize owners to make covenants and settlements of certain damage claims and for a conveyance of littoral rights.

Airport lease: H. R. 6573, to authorize renewals of a lease of the Annette Island Airport to the United States.

West Virginia land transfer: H. R. 6796, to provide for the conveyance to the city of Clarksburg, W. Va., of certain property which was donated for use in connection with a veterans' hospital, and which is not being used.

Veterans' insurance: H. R. 6832, to permit lump-sum payment of attorneys' fees on insurance.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Oil and gas: S. J. Res. 38, consenting to interstate compact to conserve oil and gas.

Wisconsin waterway: S. 1250, an act to declare Pike Creek above the easterly side of the highway bridge at Sixth Avenue in the city of Kenosha a nonnavigable stream.

Theodore Roosevelt: H. J. Res. 273, to establish a commission for the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt.

Alabama land transfer: H. R. 46, authorizes the conveyance to the city of Anniston, Ala., certain real property within Fort McClellan, to be used as a cemetery.

Alaska: H. R. 65, to amend the act of August 23, 1954, so as to define territory limits of division No. 2 for the Federal District Court of Alaska.

Bankrupt estates: H. R. 256, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to the priority of debts owed by a bankrupt to workmen, servants, clerks, and certain salesmen.

Alaska: H. R. 605, providing for the abolition of the 80-rod reserved spaces between claims on shore waters in Alaska.

New York land transfer: H. R. 1459, to provide for a conveyance of a tract of land in Orange County, N. Y., to the village of Highland Falls, N. Y.

Veterans' insurance: H. R. 1619, relating to renewal of term insurance within 120 days after separation of service.

Navy-Marine Corps: H. R. 2109, Navy, Marine Corps Officers Augmentation Act.

Massachusetts waterway: H. R. 2866, declaring the waterway (a section of the Acushnet River) north of Coggeshall Street Bridge in Massachusetts, a nonnavigable stream.

Stolen vehicles: H. R. 3702, to amend U. S. Code so as to extend the punishment for the transportation of stolen motor vehicles in interstate or foreign commerce to tractors, commercial truck trailers, and truck semitrailers.

Girl Scouts: H. R. 4218, authorize the Secretary of Defense to lend certain Army, Navy, and Air Force equipment and to provide certain services to the Girl Scouts of the United States of America for use at the Girl Scout Senior Roundup Encampment.

Arkansas land transfer: H. R. 4225, authorizing the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain property of the U. S. to the city of North Little Rock, Ark.

Veterans' unemployment compensation: H. R. 4946, to amend title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act, relative to unemployment compensation.

Veterans' beneficiaries: H. R. 6419, to redefine the terms "stepchild" and "stepparent" for the purposes of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act.

Military personnel: H. R. 6600, to amend section 303 of the Career Compensation Act of 1949 to authorize travel and transportation allowances and transportation of dependents and of baggage and household effects to the homes of selection for certain members of the uniformed services.

Atomic rewards: H. R. 6901, to provide rewards for information concerning illegal introduction into the United States or illegal manufacture or acquisition in the United States of special nuclear material and atomic weapons.

Passed over without prejudice:

Aircraft carrier loan: S. 1139, to extend the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France.

Disabled veterans: H. R. 1614, to provide an increased statutory rate of compensation for veterans suffering the loss of the use of an eye in combination with the loss, or loss of use, of a limb.

Veterans' benefits, checks: H. R. 1821, to provide that checks for benefits provided by laws administered by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs may be forwarded to the addressee in certain cases.

Clemson Agricultural College: H. R. 4280, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release, on behalf of the U. S., conditions in two deeds conveying certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina.

New York land conveyance: H. R. 4717, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to quitclaim all rights, title, and interest of the United States to certain lands in the village of Sag Harbor, N. Y.

Burial flags: H. R. 4727, to permit the issuance of a flag to a friend or associate of the deceased veteran where it is not claimed by the next of kin.

Passport fees: H. R. 5844, to increase the fee for executing an application for a passport from $1 to $3.

Service academies, appointments: H. R. 5269, to increase from 89 to 300 the number of cadets that the President may personally select for appointment to the U. S. Military Academy and the U. S. Air Force Academy.

Wisconsin land transfer: H. R. 6727, to authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain lands to the city of Milwaukee, Wis.

Food, drugs, and cosmetics: H. R. 6991, a bill to revise, codify, and enact into law, title 21 of the U. S. Code entitled "Food, Drugs, and Cosmetics."

Military: H. R. 7049, to revise and codify titles 10 and 32 of the U. S. Code entitled "Armed Forces" and "National Guard," respectively. **Pages 9885–9905**

Naval Retirement: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. R. 2112, to permit retirement of certain temporary officers of the naval service after completion of 20 years of active service. **Pages 9905–9906**

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 42, 88, 90, 94, 95, 99, 118, 323, 378, 429, 481, and 502.

Also concluded legislative action on H. Res. 273.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 938, 939, 1078, 1191, 1458, 1667, 1910, 1958, 2049, 2065, 2078, 2296, 2480, 2735, 2738, 2782, 3037, 3188, 3275, 3375, 3726, 3728, 4146, 4147, 4185, 4289, 4410, 4468, 5080, 6396, 6617, and 6706.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. 467, H. Con. Res. 167, 168, H. R. 896, 897, 902, 904, 905, 914, 1019, 1084, 1092, 1172, 1185, 1486, 1668, 1673, 1752, 1940, 1973, 2363, 2494, 2746, 2898, 2949, 3723, 3979, 4763, 5282, 5283, 5535, 6232, 6613, and 6709.

Passed over without prejudice: H. R. 1423, 1878, 3073, and 6158. **Pages 9906–9918**

Suspension Passages: The consideration of legislation under suspension of the rules was in order and the House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following bills:

Anthracite coal resources: Passed, with amendment, H. R. 7066, to provide for the conservation of anthracite coal resources through measures of flood control and anthracite mine drainage;

Water pollution: Passed, with amendment, S. 928, to amend the Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the control of air pollution;

Railroad retirement: Passed, with amendment, H. R. 4744, to remove the limitation now placed upon the amount of annuity payable to spouses and individuals under the Railroad Retirement Act and makes the amount equal to the maximum amount which could be paid to such person under section 202 (b) of the Social Security Act;

Presidential libraries: Passed, with amendment, H. J. Res. 330, to provide for the acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries. **Pages 9918–9938**

Minority Telephone Manager: Adopted H. Res. 297, fixing the compensation of the minority manager of telephones and his assistant. Page 9934

Alaska: Passed, and cleared for Presidential action, S. 1633, relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska.

H. Res. 292, the rule making in order the consideration of the bill, had been adopted previously.

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Government Printing: Adopted H. Res. 262, to authorize the Committee on House Administration to make studies and inquiries relative to unnecessary Government printing and paperwork. Pages 9938–9939

Flood Control: Passed H. R. 4362, amending the act entitled "An act authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control," approved September 3, 1954. Page 9939

Ferrells Bridge Reservoir: Adopted, and cleared for the White House, S. J. Res. 77, modification of project for Ferrells Bridge Reservoir, Tex. Page 9939

Lake Texoma: Passed without amendment and cleared for the President S. 1318, authorizing construction of a highway crossing over Lake Texoma, Red River, Tex. and Okla. Pages 9939–9940

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:53 p. m.

Committee Meetings

CIVILIAN MERIT AWARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: The Metcalf subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 6874, and similar pending bills, which would establish a program of cultural interchange with foreign countries to meet the challenge of competitive coexistence with communism, to establish a Federal advisory commission of 15 members to advise the Federal Government on ways to encourage artistic and cultural endeavor and appreciation, and to provide awards of merit. Witnesses heard today were Roswell B. Perkins, Assistant Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare; Russell L. Riley, Director, International Educational Exchange Service, Department of State; and Lloyd Goodrich, chairman, Committee on Government and Art, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York City. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

LANDS—MINING—TERRITORIES—INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

S. 824, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands in the State of Washington which had been erroneously conveyed to the United States;

S. 1878, to extend for 5 years the authority to convey to Miles City, Mont., certain lands in Custer County;

S. 2097, to authorize the transfer to the Department of Agriculture, for agricultural purposes, of certain real property in St. Croix, V. I.;

H. R. 622, amended, to provide for the release by the United States of its rights and interests in certain lands located in Saginaw County, Mich.;

H. R. 727, amended, to direct the conveyance of certain lands to the Pecwan Union School District (California), in order to provide a site for a school;

H. R. 898 and 910, amended private bills;

H. R. 4047, relating to the establishment of public recreation facilities in Alaska;

H. R. 4096, amended, to provide for the disposal of public lands within highway, telephone, and pipeline withdrawals in Alaska, subject to appropriate easements;

H. R. 4308, amended, for the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating waters for reclamation;

H. R. 7097, to provide for the return to the former owners of land all of the oil and gas and mineral interests acquired in connection with the Demopolis lock and dam project on the Tombigbee River (supersedes H. R. 392); and

H. R. 7157, amended, to provide for the leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands (supersedes H. R. 2681).

BANK MERGERS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems began hearings on H. R. 5948, to prohibit the acquisition of assets of other banks by banks, banking associations, or trust companies, under the Clayton Act, when the effect may be to substantially lessen competition, or to tend to create a monopoly. Witnesses testifying today were Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Justice Department; Earl Kintner, General Counsel, Federal Trade Commission; and Angus McDonald, assistant legislative secretary, National Farmers Union. Hearings will be continued tomorrow. Scheduled to testify are Senator Sparkman, of Alabama; Gov. J. L. Robertson, Federal Reserve Board; FDIC Chairman H. Earl Cook; and Ray M. Gidney, U. S. Comptroller of the Currency.

HOSPITAL AIDES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Subcommittee on Hospitals received further testimony today from officials of the Veterans' Administration relative to its hearings on grade reductions of aides in Veterans' Administration hospitals. Today's witnesses included Dr. William F. Fellows; T. F. Daley, Legislative Service; and Ruth Adams, Assistant Chief Nurse.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By unanimous vote of 77 yeas, Senate ratified 4 treaties on protection of war victims and also cleared for White House bills on Alaskan roads and air pollution research.

House passed bills on Lake Michigan water diversion and Mexican farm workers.

Amendments to social security laws approved by House committee.

Conferees agreed to file reports on mutual security and military construction.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 9951–9958

Bills Introduced: 9 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2421–S. 2429. Pages 9951–9952

Bills Referred: 98 House-passed bills and 3 House-passed concurrent resolutions were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 9978–9982

Treaties Ratified—War Victims: By unanimous vote of 77 yeas, Senate adopted resolution of ratification covering 4 Geneva Conventions of August 12, 1949, as follows: (1) for amelioration of condition of wounded and sick in armed forces in the field, with a reservation and statement (Exec. D, 82d Cong., 1st sess.); (2) for amelioration of condition of wounded, sick, shipwrecked members of armed forces at sea, with a statement (Exec. E, 82d Cong., 1st sess.); (3) relative to the treatment of prisoners of war, with a statement (Exec. F, 82d Cong., 1st sess.); and (4) relative to the protection of civilians in time of war, with a reservation and statement (Exec. G, 82d Cong., 1st sess.). Pages 9958–9973

Alaskan Roads: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 245, relative to construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in Alaska. Page 9973

Private Bill: H. R. 3636, a private bill, was passed without amendment and cleared for President. Page 9974

Alaskan Water Resources: Senate passed with committee amendment H. R. 3990, authorizing Federal investigation of water resources projects in Alaska. Pages 9974–9975

Defense Production: S. 2391, extending Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years, was made Senate's unfinished business. Page 9975

Air Pollution: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 928, to amend the Water Pollution Control Act to provide for the control of air pollution, clearing bill for White House. Pages 9984–9985

Mutual Security: Senators Green and Wiley were excused from further service as conferees on S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954, and Senators Mansfield and Hickenlooper, respectively, were appointed in their stead. Page 9952

Nominations: 1 Army and 1 Navy nomination were received. Page 9985

Recess: Recessed at 2:23 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills and resolutions:

Without amendment—S. 2253, to reemphasize trade development as the primary purpose of title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, and H. R. 122, amending the Commodity Exchange Act so as to include onions;

With an amendment—S. 1758, to amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans, and S. Res. 82, requesting that a report be made to the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee by the Secretary of Agriculture as to steps taken to improve and expand horticultural and agricultural weather forecasting services;

With amendments—S. J. Res. 75, directing study of tobacco production, utilization, and marketing research program; and

An original resolution authorizing funds of $20,000 for the committee to conduct field hearings on farm price support program.

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings today, in executive session, on H. R.

7117, fiscal 1956 appropriations for legislative branch. Witnesses heard today were L. Quincy Mumford, Librarian of Congress, who was accompanied by his associates; J. George Stewart, Architect of the Capitol; and Raymond Blattenberger, Public Printer.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking continued its hearings on S. 880 and H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies, and S. 2350, to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests, receiving testimony from E. O. Jenkins, president, First Bank Stock Corp., Minneapolis; John T. Noonan, counsel, Baystate Corp.; Arthur J. Morris, chairman of the board, and Ellery C. Huntington, Jr., president, both of Morris Plan Corp. of America; Thomas C. Boushall, president, the Bank of Virginia; Henry Y. Offutt, secretary, First National Bank Trustees, Louisville, Ky.; and Fred N. Oliver, general counsel, National Association of Mutual Savings Banks. Hearings continue tomorrow.

CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION

Committee on Finance: Committee began hearings on H. R. 6040, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the customs laws, with testimony in support of the proposed legislation from Assistant Secretary of the Treasury H. Chapman Rose; Harry S. Radcliffe, National Council of American Importers, Inc.; Herbert E. Harris, American Farm Bureau Federation; Allerton Tompkins, U. S. Council of the International Chamber of Commerce; and J. C. Heraper, world trade department, Detroit Board of Commerce. Hearings continue tomorrow.

SURPLUS GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: The Reorganization Subcommittee announced that its hearings, originally scheduled for July 7 and 8 on S. 2367, relating to authority of GSA Administrator with respect to utilization and disposal of excess and surplus Government property under the control of executive agencies, have been rescheduled for July 13 and 14.

CLAYTON, N. MEX.

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation held and concluded hearings on S. 218, for the relief of the town of Clayton, N. Mex., to compel payment of CAA's share of a certain airport project. Testimony favoring the bill was heard from Senator Chavez, and Manson Edmondson, city manager, Clayton, N. Mex. Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation, stated that his Department could not support the bill because of a ruling of the Comptroller General. Testifying in opposition to the bill was John M. Martiny, legislative attorney, Office of the Comptroller General.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust and Monopoly continued its hearings regarding Dixon-Yates power contract, having as its witnesses Adolphe R. Wenzell and Paul L. Miller, assistant vice president, both of the First Boston Corp., New York City, who discussed their corporation's interest in financing the Dixon-Yates contract. Hearings continue tomorrow.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Special Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency held hearings on S. 728, 894, 1088, and 1832, all bills dealing with the problem of juvenile delinquency. Witnesses heard were Senators Kefauver and Watkins; Charles I. Schottland, Commissioner, and Dr. Martha M. Eliot, Chief of Children's Bureau, both of Social Security Administration; Joe Wolcott, special juvenile delinquency investigator, department of public safety, Camden, N. J.; Msgr. John O'Grady, secretary, National Catholic Charities; Anna M. Kross, commissioner of corrections, New York City; Frank Loveland, Assistant Director, Bureau of Prisons, Justice Department; and Bertram Beck, special juvenile delinquency project. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H. R. 7178–7195; 5 private bills, H. R. 7196–7200; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 187 and 188 and H. Res. 298 and 299, were introduced. **Pages 10042–10043**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 727, to authorize the conveyance of certain land to the Pecwan Union School District for use as the site of a school (H. Rept. 1059);

H. R. 4047, relating to the establishment of public recreation facilities in Alaska (H. Rept. 1060);

H. J. Res. 303, establishing the Crazy Horse Memorial Commission to provide for the construction of a permanent national memorial to the North American Indians, amended (H. Rept. 1061);

H. R. 4096, to provide for the disposal of public lands within highway, telephone, and pipeline withdrawals in Alaska, subject to appropriate easements, amended (H. Rept. 1062);

Three private bills, H. R. 898, 910, and H. Res. 280 (H. Repts. 1063–1065, respectively);

S. 2097, authorizing the transfer to the Department of Agriculture, for agricultural purposes, of certain real property in Saint Croix, V. I. (H. Rept. 1066);

H. R. 4729, designating the lake created by the Fall River Reservoir, in the State of Kansas, as Lake Meyer (H. Rept. 1067);

H. R. 3235, providing for adjustments in the lands or interests therein acquired for the Demopolis lock and dam, Alabama, by the reconveyance of certain lands or interests therein to the former owners thereof (H. Rept. 1068);

H. Res. 298, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5168, the Farm Credit Act of 1955 (H. Rept. 1069);

H. R. 6373, amending the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals, amended (H. Rept. 1070); and

Conference report on S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954 (H. Rept. 1071). Page 10042

Public Works Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6766, making appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, the Tennessee Valley Authority, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by the Department of the Army, for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cannon, Rabaut, Kirwan, Fogarty, Marshall, Riley, Evins, Boland, Murray of Illinois, Magnuson, Davis of Wisconsin, Jensen, Phillips, H. Carl Andersen, Hand, and Taber. Page 9986

Lake Michigan: Passed by a voice vote H. R. 3210, to authorize the State of Illinois and the Sanitary District of Chicago, under the direction of the Secretary of the Army, to test, on a 3-year basis, the effect of increasing the diversion of water from Lake Michigan into the Illinois Waterway. A motion to recommit the bill was rejected by a rollcall vote of 74 yeas to 316 nays.

H. Res. 293, the rule for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted earlier. Pages 9987–9988, 9989–10006

Mexican Agricultural Workers: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 3822, to extend until June 30, 1957, the Mexican farm-labor program, after rejecting a recommittal motion by a division vote of 48 yeas to 123 nays. Adopted a committee substitute amendment that supplied new language and extended the Mexican Labor Act to June 30, 1959.

Rejected amendments that sought to—

Require employers to offer the same terms and conditions of employment to domestic workers prior to importing Mexican nationals;

Require the Secretary of Agriculture to prescribe regulations requiring employers to provide for the safety, health, and welfare of workers being transported to and from reception centers and place of employment; and

Require the Attorney General to deport or return to reception centers workers who work for less than the prevailing wage.

H. Res. 255, the rule under which the bill was considered, had been previously adopted.

Pages 9988–9989, 10006–10024

Schools on Marine Corps Installations: Adopted H. Res. 281, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, and making in order the consideration of a substitute amendment to, H. R. 3253, to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on Marine Corps installations; but deferred the consideration of the bill to Thursday. Page 9989

Atomic Weapons Reward: Adopted a committee amendment, passed and returned to Senate S. 609, the Atomic Weapons Reward Act of 1955. Page 10024

Government Building Construction: Passed and thus cleared for the President S. 1290, to provide for the construction of certain Government buildings in the District of Columbia. Page 10025

Capitol Elevators: Passed without amendment and cleared for the White House S. 1993, authorizing installation of additional elevators in Senate wing of the Capitol. Page 10025

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6 p. m.

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SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Resumed hearings in connection with its study of the national sugar program and pending legislation relating to sugar. Meeting with the committee today were True D. Morse, Under Secretary of Agriculture; and Lawrence Myers, Director of the Sugar Division, Department of Agriculture. Recessed until tomorrow (10:30 a. m.), following executive meeting on pending bills at 10 a. m.

LOUISIANA BASE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 3 held a hearing today on H. R. 5625, to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to revest in and convey to the last

former record owners, all right, title, and interest that the United States may have acquired in and to the mineral and royalty interests underlying lands comprising the U. S. Naval Air Station, Houma, La. Witnesses heard on the proposed legislation were Joseph M. Rault and Joseph M. Rault, Jr., attorneys, New Orleans, La.; Dr. C. Granes Cole, president, Medical Society of State of Louisiana; E. C. Hillyard, construction engineer, Denver, Colo.; Leon Gary, mayor of Houma, La.; Raymond H. Fogler, Assistant Secretary of the Navy; and F. Trowbridge vom Baur, General Counsel, Department of the Navy. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began hearings on H. R. 7071, extending the Defense Production Act of 1950. Testimony in support of the proposed legislation was furnished today by Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce; and Arthur S. Flemming, Director, Office of Defense Management. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning, when officials of the Departments of Defense and Justice are scheduled to testify.

CAPITAL TRANSIT STRIKE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Considered H. R. 7120, to provide for D. C. Commissioners to take possession and operate the Capital Transit Co., in event of interruption of service due to strike or lockout. Also discussed the various problems attending the current strike of the local transit company. Made no announcement.

ARTISTIC MERIT AWARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: The Metcalf subcommittee continued public hearings on H. R. 6874, and similar pending bills, which would establish a program of cultural interchange with foreign countries to meet the challenge of competitive coexistence with communism, to establish a Federal advisory commission of 15 members to advise the Federal Government in ways to encourage artistic and cultural endeavor and appreciation, and to provide awards of merit. Testimony was received today from Representative Derounian, author of H. R. 5698, one of the bills on this subject; Nelson A. Rockefeller, Special Assistant to President Eisenhower; Willard Swire, executive secretary, American National Theatre and Academy, New York City; Dr. C. Robert Kase, chairman, department of dramatic arts and speech, University of Delaware; Alfred Harding, assistant to the president, Actors Equity Association; Emlen Etting, president, Artists Equity; Rene D'Harnoncourt, director, Museum of Modern Art, New York City; Rex Stout, president, Authors League of America, Inc.; Ralph Becker, League of New York Theaters; and Harold Weston, International Association of Plastic Arts, Inc. Hearings will be continued Friday morning.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee resumed executive consideration of pending bills to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon.

FEDERAL LENDING AGENCIES

Committee on Government Operations: The Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee resumed hearings today relative to the report of the Hoover Commission regarding Federal lending agencies. Testimony was received on the subject from Wallace Campbell, Cooperative League of the U. S. A.; Clyde T. Ellis, general manager, National Rural Cooperative Association; George S. Goodyear, National Association of Home Builders; and Raymond C. McGrath, American Council for Education. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

PUBLIC POWER REGULATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff subcommittee resumed public hearings to study cases of alleged changing of certain public power regulations by the Department of the Interior under Secretary Douglas McKay. Today's witness was Clarence A. Davis, Under Secretary of the Interior. He is scheduled to resume tomorrow morning and will be followed by Clyde T. Ellis, general manager, National Rural Cooperative Association.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan subcommittee considered the tax amortization program in executive session today, and announced that public hearings will be held on the subject beginning next Monday morning.

TERRITORIES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien (New York) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 7186 (a clean bill to supersede H. R. 4920), providing for review and determination of claims for the return of lands, in the Territory of Hawaii, conveyed to the Government during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry. Also approved H. R. 4718, amended, to authorize and direct the issuance of patent to Robert W. Retherford, of Anchorage, Alaska, to certain land in Alaska; H. R. 604, amended, to provide port of entry and related facilities on the Alaska Highway at the Alaska-Canadian border in the Territory of Alaska; H. R. 3083, amended, re the transfer of certain land within U. S. survey to the city of Sitka, Alaska.

Also passed over without prejudice H. R. 247, relating to moneys received from mineral lands in Alaska; and H. R. 4781, to authorize the Territory of Alaska to incur indebtedness.

Witnesses heard today on the various subjects were A. M. Edwards, Associate Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Kirkley Coulter, Assistant Director of Territories, Department of Interior; Lloyd Gowen, Senior Inspector, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; and Fred Weiler, Assistant Lands Officer, Bureau of Land Management. Recessed until tomorrow when it will consider H. R. 6376, and other pending bills, relating to hospitalization and care of the mentally ill in Alaska.

FEDERAL AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications conducted a hearing on H. R. 6260, to substitute the Secretary of Commerce for the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics in carrying out the provisions of the Federal Airport Act, specifying that the Secretary of Commerce prepare and revise a national airport plan at least 3 months prior to the close of each fiscal year. Members of Congress who testified on the proposal were Representatives Bennett of Florida, Sisk, H. Carl Andersen, and Meader. Other witnesses heard were Ross Rizley, Chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board; Foster V. Jones, Louisville, Ky., first vice president, Airport Operators Council; J. D. Durand, assistant general counsel, Air Transport Association of America; A. B. McMullen, executive secretary, National Association of State Aviation Officials; George C. Prill, Aircoach Transport Association. A statement for the record was submitted on behalf of the city of Columbus, Ohio, by Francis A. Bolton, superintendent of the port of Columbus. Another statement, which is to be filed for insertion for the record, will be received from Larry Cates, legislative representative, Air Line Pilots Association. Hearings will be resumed on Friday morning.

AUTOMOBILE SALES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance held hearings today on the following bills—

H. R. 2688, to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act with respect to certain contracts, agreements, or franchises to enable manufacturers of automobiles and trucks, and their franchise dealers, to protect their goodwill in the business of manufacturing and distributing automobiles and trucks, made or sold by them, by restricting franchise dealers from reselling to certain unauthorized persons;

H. R. 528, to declare that it shall be an unfair method of competition, under the Federal Trade Commission Act, for the manufacturer of motor vehicles to charge and collect from a buyer amounts represented as freight charges which are over and above actual freight charges; and

H. R. 6544, to permit certain contracts and agreements establishing exclusive representation by distributors in specified geographical areas and requiring such distributors to sell only in these areas.

Speaking for the National Automobile Dealers Association in support of the three measures were Rear Adm. Frederick J. Bell, executive vice president, Washington, D. C.; and Frank H. Yarnall, president, Yarnall Chevrolet Co., Chicago, Ill.

Speaking in support of H. R. 2688 were Walter B. Cooper, chairman, national affairs committee (NADA), Poudre Chevrolet Co., Fort Collins, Colo.; and S. I. Bryant, of S. I. Bryant Motors, Cleveland, Tenn. Opposition to this bill was expressed by Donald Webster, Washington, D. C.

Heard in favor of H. R. 528 were Ray D. Wilson, Angeles Chevrolet, Los Angeles, Calif.; and W. F. Duckworth, Cavalier Motor Co., Inc., Norfolk, Va.

Testimony on H. R. 6544 was received from Representatives Hardy, Crumpacker, and Steed; Charles M. Hewitt, department of business law, University of Indiana; Alton M. Costley, regional vice president, National Automobile Dealers Association, East Point, Ga.; Raymond Dickey, general counsel for National Independent Automobile Dealers' Association, Washington, D. C.; Matt Triggs, American Farm Bureau Federation; and Rowland Kirks, legislative counsel for the NADA.

BANK MERGERS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems continued hearings on H. R. 5948, to prohibit the acquisition of assets of other banks by banks, banking associations, or trust companies, under the Clayton Act, when the effect may be to substantially lessen competition, or to tend to create a monopoly. Today's witnesses were Senator Sparkman, of Alabama; J. L. Robertson, Governor, Federal Reserve Board; H. Earl Cook, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Ray M. Gidney, U. S. Comptroller of the Currency; and B. H. Ryan, president, Independent Bankers Association, East Moline, Ill.

COAST SURVEY

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Began public hearings on H. R. 6743 and S. 847, to authorize construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Testimony on the proposal was received from Representatives Hale and McIntire, both of Maine; and Rear Adm. F. S. Studds, Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed consideration of current problems of the national maritime industry, and received testimony from George Killion, president, American President Lines, Ltd. He is scheduled to continue tomorrow morning.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Appointed a subcommittee today to work out a compromise bill on Federal-aid highway construction and report same to the full committee next Monday, July 11. The group is composed of Representatives Fallon (chairman), Blatnik, Jones of Alabama, Dempsey, Smith of Mississippi, Dondero, McGregor, Mack of Washington, and George. An executive meeting is scheduled for tomorrow morning.

TOLLS—CUSTOMS

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

S. 1577, regarding toll revenue for highway construction and other transportation facilities in Connecticut;

H. R. 593, to consider by quitclaim deed, certain land to Texas; and

H. R. 6769, to amend the act to provide better facilities for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws so as to increase the amounts authorized to be expended.

FARM CREDIT—GI FARM TRAINING

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour debate on H. R. 5168, the Farm Credit Act of 1955. Representatives Poage and McIntire spoke in support of the proposal.

Also considered, but took no action on, a rule on H. R. 4006 regarding on-farm training allowances to veterans under the GI bill. Appearing in support of the measure were Representatives Kee, Rogers of Massachusetts, and Sisk.

CHIEF JUSTICE—TEXTILES—INFORMATION—BUNGE CASE

Committee on Rules: Considered but took no action on the following measures—H. Con. Res. 69, providing for annual address by the Chief Justice; H. Con. Res. 107, to authorize Joint Committee on Economic Report to investigate economic problems connected with loss of employment in the textile industry; H. J. Res. 162, to establish a Joint Committee on Information, Intelligence, and Security; and H. Res. 196, authorizing the Judiciary Committee to investigate action of Justice Department in dropping criminal charges in the Bunge Corp. case.

Speaking on behalf of H. Con. Res. 69 were Representatives Miller of Maryland and Keating, with opposition testimony being presented by Representative Celler. Heard in favor of H. Con. Res. 107 were Representatives Lane, Nelson, Merrow, Rhodes of Pennsylvania, and Boland. Representatives McCarthy and Kelly of New York urged favorable consideration of H. J. Res. 162; and Representative Boyle testified in favor of his resolution, H. Res. 196. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

SOCIAL SECURITY REVISIONS

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued consideration of a committee print amending the social security laws, and approved the following amendments—

1. Continue benefit payments to disabled children age 18 and over;

2. Reduce the eligibility age for women from 65 to 62 years;

3. Provide disability benefits for insured workers at age 50;

4. Extend coverage to optometrists, dentists, lawyers, veterinarians, chiropractors, naturopaths, osteopaths, Tennessee Valley Authority and Home Loan Bank employees, and gum naval store workers;

5. Revise contribution schedule to maintain the actuarial soundness of the old-age and survivors' program; and

6. Adopt certain miscellaneous amendments of technical or clarifying nature.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when executive consideration is scheduled on miscellaneous pending bills.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Met in executive session on pending business. Made no announcement.

Joint Committee Meetings

AGREEMENTS FOR COOPERATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation met in executive session for the consideration of British, Canadian, and Belgian agreements. Witnesses heard at today's session were Chairman Lewis L. Strauss and Commissioner Thomas E. Murray, both of the AEC; and Gerard C. Smith, Special Assistant Secretary for Atomic Energy Matters, and C. Burke Elbrick, Deputy Assistant Secretary for European Affairs, both of the State Department.

Subcommittee will meet again Monday, July 11.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT CONTRACTS

Joint Committee on Defense Production: Committee met in executive session to review Defense Production Act contracts, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 6829, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations.

MUTUAL SECURITY

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955. As approved by the conferees, the bill would provide total authorization of $3,285,800,000.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted conference report on mutual security bill, cleared for President bill on atomic weapons rewards, and passed bills on public buildings and Missouri River Basin.

House passed Philippine trade revision bill, adopted conference report on military public works bill, and cleared mutual security bill for the President.

Bills on minimum wage increases and insurance company insurance taxation approved by House committees.

Conferees agreed to file report on public works appropriation bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10056–10063

Bills Introduced: 4 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2430–S. 2433; S. Con. Res. 46 and 47; and S. Res. 123 to S. Res. 125. **Pages 10058–10060**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1758, to amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans, with amendments (S. Rept. 703);

S. J. Res. 75, directing study of tobacco production, utilization, and marketing research program, with amendments (S. Rept. 704);

H. R. 899, private bill (S. Rept. 705);

H. R. 3338, to extend Alaska Railroad leases to 55 years instead of 20 years (S. Rept. 706);

H. R. 4046, to abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument, Alaska (S. Rept. 707);

H. R. 5300, establishment of City of Refuge National Historical Park in Hawaii (S. Rept. 708);

S. 689, to amend the Bankruptcy Act regarding farmer-debtor relief (S. Rept. 709);

S. Res. 124, S. Con. Res. 47, S. 183, 619, 642, 649, 663, 1106, 1238, 1249, 1416, H. Con. Res. 110, H. R. 926, 1217, 1218, 1333, 1338, 1405, 1406, 1407, 1408, 1503, 1504 1651, 1655, 1684, 1869, 1879, 1897, 1935, 1962, 1964, 2358, 2360, 3066, 3852, 3867, 5456, S. 438, 603, 678, 1110, H. Con. Res. 98, H. R. 962, 1868, 3071, S. 188, 607, 1056, 1242, H. R. 6086, private bills (S. Repts. 710–760, respectively);

S. J. Res. 63, to establish the Theodore Roosevelt Commission, with amendment (S. Rept. 761);

H. R. 3813, amending the American Legion charter to redefine eligibility of membership (S. Rept. 762);

H. R. 4754, amending the AMVETS charter to redefine eligibility of membership (S. Rept. 763);

S. Res. 123, authorizing additional funds of $20,000 for Committee on Agriculture and Forestry to conduct field hearings on farm price support program (S. Rept. 764);

S. Res. 82, requesting that a report be made to the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee by Secretaries of Agriculture and Commerce as to steps taken to improve and expand horticultural and agricultural weather forecasting services, with amendments (S. Rept. 765);

H. R. 122, amending the Commodity Exchange Act so as to include onions (S. Rept. 766);

S. 2253, to reemphasize trade development as the primary purpose of title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, with amendment (S. Rept. 767); and

S. Res. 125, to extend the work of the Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee through January 31, 1956, and authorizing additional expenditures of $29,000 therefor (no written report).

Pages 10057–10058

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 10056**

Mutual Security: Conference report on S. 2090, Mutual Security Act of 1955, was adopted. Pages 10063–10065

Atomic Weapons Rewards: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. 609, Atomic Weapons Reward Act of 1955, clearing bill for action of President. Page 10075

Public Buildings: Senate passed, with committee amendments, S. 1210, to amend the Public Buildings Act of 1949, so as to eliminate the 1-year limitation on the period of leases of space for Federal agencies in the D. C. Pages 10067, 10074–10075

Defense Production: S. 2391, extending Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years, the Senate's unfinished business, was put aside for the consideration of other legislation. Pages 10063, 10067

Missouri River Basin: Senate passed, with committee amendment, S. 787, granting consent of Congress to Missouri Basin States to negotiate Missouri River Basin Compact. Page 10075

Calendar Call: By unanimous consent it was agreed that on Monday, July 11, immediately following transaction of morning business, Senate will proceed to call of calendar for unobjected-to bills, commencing with Calendar No. 700. Page 10060

D. C. Unemployment Compensation: Senate began consideration of S. 1835, to amend the D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act, but on motion it was put aside for consideration of other business. Page 10075

Armed Services Pay: Senate adopted S. Con. Res. 46, providing for enrollment, with certain changes, of S. 804, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949, regarding advance payments to members of uniformed services. Page 10060

Authority To Report: All committees were authorized to file reports and report nominations during adjournment of Senate. Page 10076

D. C. Delegates to Conventions: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions. Page 10075

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:32 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense began hearings on 1956 appropriations for military construction, and received an overall presentation for the three services from Assistant Secretary of Defense for Properties and Installations Franklin G. Floete. Testimony regarding military construction for the Army was heard from Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Committee began hearings on H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces, hearing testimony from the following witnesses: Representative Thomson (Wyoming); Raymond Walters, president, University of Cincinnati, representing American Council on Education; George D. Riley, national legislative committee, AFL; Edmund Claxton, chairman of manpower subcommittee, NAM; M. M. Boring, Engineering Manpower Commission and Scientific Manpower Commission; Paul H. Robbins, National Society of Professional Engineers; James D. Secrest, Radio-Electronics-Television Manufacturers Association; Seaborn P. Collins, national commander, American Legion; John Baker, National Farmers Union; and Henry G. Doyle, Naval Reserve Association. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommitte on Banking continued its hearings on S. 880 and H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies, and S. 2350, to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests, receiving testimony from F. Guy Hitt, president, Bank of Benton, Ill., and representing General Contract Corp., St. Louis; Benjamin Levinson, president, Michigan Mortgage Co., Detroit; Elgin Bayless, an attorney of Arcadia, Fla., representing Consolidated Naval Stores Co., Sebring, Fla.; Melvin F. Lanphar, of Melvin F. Lanphar Co., Detroit; David E. Alper, president, Morris Alper & Sons, Inc., Brookline, Mass.; and A. B. Tyler, vice president and counsel, Shawmut Association, Boston. Hearings continue Monday, July 11.

D. C. TRANSIT STRIKE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, Welfare, and Safety held hearings regarding the present strike within the Capital Transit Co., and on S. J. Res. 87, regarding merger of street railway corporations operating in D. C. Participants in today's session were Samuel Spencer, President, and Robert E. McLaughlin, Commissioner, both of D. C. Board of Commissioners; George E. C. Hayes, Chairman, and Robert M. Weston, member, both of the D. C. Public Utilities Commission; J. A. B. Broadwater, president, and Frank Weakly, member of the board of directors, both of Capital Transit Co.; and Walter J. Bierwagen, president, and Bernard Cushman, general counsel, both of National Capital Local, Division 689. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 6040, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the customs laws, with testimony in favor of the bill from Vincent J. Bruno, world trade department, Commerce & Industry Association of New York, Inc. Testifying in opposition to section 2 of the bill (relating to value), and suggesting certain amendments to the bill, were Richard B. Tucker, Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co.; O. R. Strackbein, Nation-wide Committee of Industry, Agriculture, and Labor; Richard H. Anthony, the American Tariff League; John G. Lerch, of Lamb & Lerch, law firm in New York City; J. Bradley Colburn, the Association of the Customs Bar; Robert E. Canfield, American Paper & Pulp Association; Lyle Jones, U. S. Potters' Association; and Matthew H. O'Brien, Rayon and Acetate Fiber Producers Group.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications held and concluded hearings on S. 1648, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 regarding protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing. Witnesses heard today were Chairman George C. McConnaughey and Commissioner John C. Doerfer, both of the FCC; Ervin F. Lyke, president, Veterans Broadcasting Co., Rochester, N. Y.; Percy H. Russell, Jr., president, FCC Bar Association, Washington, D. C.; Benedict P. Cottone, attorney of Washington, D. C.; and Gordon Brown, radio station WSAY, Rochester, N. Y.

U. S. TUNA INDUSTRY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries held executive hearings concerning the U. S. tuna industry. Witnesses heard were W. C. Herrington, Special Assistant to the Under Secretary of State for Fish and Wildlife; Ben H. Thibodeaux, Director, Office of International Trade and Resources, State Department; A. W. Anderson, Chief, Branch of Commercial Fisheries, and Harry M. Shushan, Technical Review Section, both of Department of Interior; and Leslie Robinson, Fisheries Commodity Specialist, Agriculture Division, U. S. Tariff Commission.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee heard further testimony from Paul L. Miller, assistant vice president, First Boston Corp., New York City, with regard to his corporation's interest in the financing of the Dixon-Yates power contract. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 689, to amend the Bankruptcy Act regarding farmer-debtor relief, H. R. 3813, amending the American Legion charter to redefine eligibility of membership, and H. R. 4754, amending the AMVETS charter to redefine eligibility of membership;

With an amendment—S. J. Res. 63, to establish the Theodore Roosevelt Commission;

An original resolution (S. Res. 125) to extend the work of the Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee through January 31, 1956, and authorizing additional funds of $29,000 therefor;

The nominations of J. Edward Lumbard, of New York, and Sterry R. Waterman, of Vermont, both to be U. S. circuit judges for second circuit; and

Forty-nine private immigration bills (S. 183, 188, 438, 603, 607, 619, 642, 649, 663, 678, 1056, 1106, 1110, 1238, 1242, 1249, 1416, H. R. 926, 962, 1217, 1218, 1333, 1338, 1405, 1406, 1407, 1408, 1503, 1504, 1651, 1655, 1684, 1868, 1869, 1879, 1897, 1935, 1962, 1964, 2358, 2360, 3066, 3071, 3852, 3867, 5456, 6086, H. Con. Res. 98 and 110); and an original simple resolution (S. Res. 124) and an original concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 47).

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on 9 private claims bills (S. 170, 1148, H. R. 1296, 1415, 3022, 3180, 5389, 1691, and 2244), and 27 private immigration bills (S. 28, 82, 555, 601, 615, 706, 761, 790, 859, 996, 1065, 1132, 1144, 1174, 1181, 1236, 1291, 1338, 1433, 1537, 1788, 1850, 1971, 2010, 2160, 2161, and 2162).

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Special Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency continued its hearings with testimony from Judge George Edwards, circuit court, Detroit; Joseph Lehman, sheriff of Cook County, Ill.; Dr. Alfred Kahn, Columbia University, representing American Association of Social Workers; Nathaniel Kaplan, New York City Youth Board; Barbara Coughlan, director of Nevada Public Welfare Department; Harold Hagen, American Public Welfare Association; and Ada B. Stough, American Parents Committee. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program had as its witness today George V. McDavitt, Director of Office of Compliance and Security, Small Business Administration, who testified and answered questions regarding the security program of the SBA.

Hearings continue Thursday, July 14.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H. R. 7201–7219; 4 private bills, H. R. 7220–7223; and 5 resolutions, H. J. Res. 378, and H. Res. 300–304, were introduced.

Pages 10090, 10109–10110

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Nine private bills, H. Res. 287, 290, H. R. 1539, 1637, 3063, 4508, 4867, 6078, and 6790 (H. Repts. 1072–1080, respectively);

H. Res. 300, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5614, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 in regard to protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing (H. Rept. 1081);

H. Res. 301, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H. R. 6373, to amend the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals (H. Rept. 1082);

Conference report on H. R. 6829, to authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations (H. Rept. 1083); and

H. R. 1084, for the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating waters for reclamation, amended (H. Rept. 1084).

Conference report on H. R. 6766, making appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, the Tennessee Valley Authority, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by Department of the Army for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1085);

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Philippine Trade: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 6059, to authorize the President of the United States to enter into an agreement with the President of the Republic of the Philippines to revise the 1946 trade agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of the Philippines, after adopting several committee amendments.

H. Res. 289, the closed rule under which the bill was considered, was adopted earlier. Pages 10078–10084

Schools on Military Installations: Adopted a committee substitute amendment and passed H. R. 3253, to amend section 6 of Public Law 874 (81st Cong.) so as to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on military installations. Pages 10084–10085

Mutual Security: By a record vote of 262 yeas to 120 nays the House adopted the conference report on S. 2090, to amend the Mutual Security Act of 1954, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action.

Pages 10085–10090

Military Public Works: Adopted, by a voice vote, the conference report on H. R. 6829, to authorize certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations, and sent the bill to the Senate. Pages 10091–10102

Private Bills: The following six private bills: H. R. 2769, 3363, 1692, 1745, 1747, and 4182, were cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. Page 10102

Armed Services Pay: Adopted S. Con. Res. 46, providing for reenrolling of S. 804, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 regarding advance payments to members of uniformed services. Pages 10102–10103

Late Reports: Permission was granted to the following committees to file, by midnight Friday, reports as follows:

Committee on Rules, sundry reports;

Conferees on H. R. 6766, making appropriations for AEC, TVA, certain agencies of Department of the Interior, and Army civil functions for fiscal year 1956, to file conference report thereon.

Committee on Appropriations, report on the mutual security appropriation bill for 1956.

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, report on H. R. 3383, to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Colorado River storage project and participating projects. Pages 10076–10077, 10105

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:38 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Heard testimony from authors of pending bills relating to sugar. Recessed until Thursday morning, July 14, when Secretary of Agriculture Benson is scheduled to discuss the same subject.

MILITARY OIL REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert Special Investigating Subcommittee today considered sources of supply of oil and other petroleum products for the west coast of the United States for military and other requirements. Witnesses testifying in open hearing were Brig. Gen. W. W. White, Office of the Secretary of Defense; Charles Kendall, General Counsel, Office of Defense Management; and Hugh A. Stewart, Director, Oil and Gas Division, Department of Interior. Also met in afternoon executive session.

MALE NURSES—DISCHARGE CERTIFICATES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 2559,

to provide for the appointment of male nurses and medical specialists (either citizens or those who have declared an intention to be citizens) as Reserve officers in the Army, Navy, and Air Force; and H. R. 6274, amended, to provide that no fee shall be charged a veteran (his next of kin or legal representative) for furnishing him a copy of his discharge or a copy of his certificate of service.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed public hearings on H. R. 7071, to extend the Defense Production Act of 1950. Today's witnesses were Robert C. Lampier, Jr., Deputy Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Supplies and Logistics; and Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice. Recessed until tomorrow morning when departmental witnesses are scheduled for further testimony.

POLICE AND FIREMEN'S SALARIES

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 7159, granting an "across the board" increase of 7.5 percent to members of the D. C. Police and Fire Departments, the Park Police, and the White House Police. In open hearings on the proposal, testimony was presented by officials and representatives of the D. C. Government, fire and police employee associations, Federation of Businessmen's Associations, and Federation of Citizens' Associations. The subcommittee recessed until tomorrow morning when it will consider H. R. 6464, regarding preference to business enterprises, displaced by development of southwest Washington, D. C.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Approved a bill today to increase the national minimum wage standard to $1 per hour. The effective date of the increase will be March 1, 1955.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: The Bailey subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee a bill to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities.

PUBLIC POWER REGULATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff subcommittee continued public hearings to study cases of alleged changing of certain public power regulations by the Department of the Interior under Secretary McKay. Clarence A. Davis, Under Secretary of the Interior, continued testimony which he started at yesterday's session. Also heard today was Clyde T. Ellis, general manager, National Rural Cooperative Association. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

ALASKA MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien (New York) subcommittee further considered H. R. 6344 and 6376, relating to hospitalization and care of the mentally ill in Alaska. Meeting with the group for further testimony was Dr. Winfred Overholser, Superintendent of St. Elizabeths Hospital. This subject will be considered by the subcommittee in executive session tomorrow morning.

RADIO CALL SELECTORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 4090, to require the installation of an automatic radio telegraph call selector on cargo ships of the United States carrying less than two radio operators for safety purposes.

PATENTS—IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 2128, to authorize the extension of patents covering inventions whose practice was prevented or curtailed during certain emergency periods by service of the patent owner in the Armed Forces, or by production controls.

Also ordered reported 32 private immigration bills (31 of the House and 1 of the Senate) and 9 private claim bills of the House. Twenty private immigration bills of the House were tabled along with one private claim bill of the House.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 approved for reporting to the full committee 3 private claim bills of the Senate, and reported adversely on 1 private House claim bill.

SURVEYING SHIPS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 6743, to authorize construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey. Testifying on this proposal today were Adm. F. A. Studds, Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Sam R. Broadbent, Chief of Commerce and Finance Division, Bureau of the Budget.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued public hearings in connection with its study of national maritime problems and heard further testimony from George Killion, president, American President Lines, Ltd., followed by Thomas Cuff, president of the Pacific Far East Line. Delegate Farrington, of Hawaii (in the afternoon session), introduced James H. Shoemaker, economist and vice president, Bank of Hawaii, and Richard H. Wheeler, immediate past president of the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

POSTAL-CIVIL SERVICE STUDIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Recommended today that a resolution be introduced giving the committee authority to investigate postal and civil-service matters under its jurisdiction.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES—MAIL

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 5856, to repeal the requirement for heads of departments and agencies to report to the Postmaster General the number of penalty envelopes and wrappers on hand at the close of each fiscal year;

H. R. 6590, to prohibit Federal employment to persons who are disloyal or who believe in the right to strike against the U. S. Government;

H. R. 7125, to extend to June 30, 1956, free mailing privileges granted to members of the U. S. Armed Forces;

S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service;

S. 1792, to amend the Federal Employee Group Life Insurance Act, regarding assumption of funds of non-profit association of Federal employees.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEE STUDIES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Announced the appointment of subcommittees to consider the following bills—

S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointment (Representative Alexander, chairman);

H. R. 5139 and 5142, to adjust postal classification rates on educational and cultural materials (Representative Robeson of Virginia, chairman);

H. R. 7183, to authorize the dual employment of custodial employees in post-office buildings operated by the General Services Administration (Representative Lesinski, chairman);

H. R. 3255, 3085, and 5887, to provide in certain cases that a person holding a position subject to the Classification Act of 1949 who is placed in a lower grade shall not receive less pay as a result thereof (Representative Davis of Georgia, chairman).

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: A special subcommittee (Representative Fallon, chairman) met for executive consideration of H. R. 7072, the Federal-aid highway bill. A new version of the measure is scheduled to be reported to the full committee Monday, July 11. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

COMMUNICATIONS—MINERALS PROGRAM

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, providing for 1 hour of debate, on H. R. 5614, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require that protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing show that the grant was improperly made or would otherwise not be in the public interest. Representatives Harris and Heselton spoke in behalf of the proposal.

Also granted an open rule, providing for 1 hour of debate on, and waiving points of order against, H. R. 6373, to amend the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals. Speaking in favor of the legislation were Representatives Engle, Rogers of Texas, and Young.

SCARVES—INTELLIGENCE

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, a rule on H. R. 5222, amending the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard. Testifying in support of the bill were Representatives Priest, Klein, Hale, and Harris. Opposition was presented by Representatives Wolverton and Heselton.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. Con. Res. 28, to establish a Joint Committee on Intelligence Matters. Representative Zablocki, author of the measure, urged its adoption.

LIFE INSURANCE

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 7201, relating to the taxation of income of insurance companies (with technical amendments).

Also met in a morning executive session to consider bills introduced by committee members. Made no announcement.

Joint Committee Meetings

SPECIAL RESEARCH PROJECTS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: The Subcommittee on Research and Development met in executive session for the consideration of special research projects. Present at today's session were Lewis L. Strauss, Chairman, Dr. John von Neumann, Commissioner, and T. H. Johnson, Director of Research, all of the AEC; Dr. Edward Teller, Dr. Lyman Spitzer, and William Brobeck, all of the Livermore, Calif., Laboratory; Dr. James Tuck, Los Alamos, N. Mex.; Dr. Henry Smythe; and Dr. I. I. Rabi, Chairman of the General Advisory Committee, AEC. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 6766, fiscal 1956 appropriations for public works.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 59 bills on calendar call, cleared for White House bill on military construction, and passed emergency farm aid bill.

House passed mutual security appropriation bill.

House committee began consideration of excise-tax recommendations for Federal-aid highway construction program.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10120–10149

Bills Introduced: 60 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2434–S. 2493; S. J. Res. 88 and 89; and S. Res. 126 and 127. Pages 10123–10124, 10128

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 10120

Bill Re-Referred: Committee on Public Works was discharged from further consideration of S. 1917, authorizing construction within Grand Teton National Park of an alternate route to U. S. Highway 89, and the bill was then referred to Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 10128

Public Lands: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 5891, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands. Pages 10145–10146

Military Construction: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for White House H. R. 6829, authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations. Pages 10146–10147

Bills Sent to Conference: On the following bills, the Senate insisted on its amendments, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Kilgore, McClellan, Daniel, Welker, and Butler: H. R. 1003, 2907, 4249, and 5078, private bills. Pages 10147–10148

Private Bills: Senate concurred in House amendments to the following bills, clearing them for the White House: S. 26, 36, 244, 467, 633, 758, and 1654, private bills. Page 10147–10149

Emergency Farm Aid: Senate passed with amendment H. R. 4915, extending period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen, after substituting for the text of the bill the language of S. 1372, a similar bill. These actions were taken after Committee on Agriculture and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 4915. Pages 10148–10149

Committee Authorization: Committee on the Judiciary was authorized to file reports during the day. Page 10122

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 59 bills, of which 49 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Alaska monument: H. R. 4046, to abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument, Alaska;

Hawaii park: H. R. 5300, establishment of City of Refuge National Historical Park in Hawaii;

American Legion: H. R. 3813, amending the American Legion charter to redefine eligibility of membership;

AMVETS: H. R. 4754, amending the AMVETS charter to redefine eligibility of membership;

Onions: H. R. 122, amending the Commodity Exchange Act so as to include onions;

Theodore Roosevelt Commission: H. J. Res. 273, to establish the Theodore Roosevelt Commission (this measure was passed after Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from its further consideration); and

Private bills: 26 private bills, H. R. 899, H. Con. Res. 110, H. R. 926, 1217, 1218, 1338, 1405, 1406, 1407, 1503, 1504, 1651, 1655, 1684, 1869, 1879, 1897, 1935, 1962, 1964, 2358, 2360, 3066, 3852, 3867, 5456.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Private bills: Five private bills, H. Con. Res. 98, H. R. 962, 1868, 1333, 3071.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Bankruptcy Act: S. 689, to amend the Bankruptcy Act regarding farmer-debtor relief; and

Private bills: 10 private bills, S. Con. Res. 47, S. 183, 619, 642, 649, 663, 1106, 1238, 1249, 1416.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Farm loans: S. 1758, to amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans;

Tobacco: S. J. Res. 75, directing study of tobacco production, utilization, and marketing research program; and

Private bills: Eight private bills, S. 438, 603, 678, 1110, 188, 607, 1056, 1242.

Resolution passed with amendment:

Committee expenditure: S. Res. 82, requesting that a report be made to the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee by Secretaries of Agriculture and Commerce as to steps taken to improve and expand horticultural and agricultural weather forecasting services.

Bill indefinitely postponed:

Indefinitely postponed: S. J. Res. 63. Pages 10157–10170

Committee Expenditures: During call of the calendar, the following two resolutions were taken from calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration: S. Res. 125, to extend the work of the Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee through January 31, 1956, and authorizing additional expenditures of $29,000 therefor; and S. Res. 123, authorizing additional funds of $20,000 for Committee on Agriculture and Forestry to conduct field hearings on farm price support program. Pages 10166, 10169

Gift Importation: Senate insisted on its amendments to H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad, agreed to hold conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Byrd, George, Kerr, Millikin, and Martin (of Pennsylvania). Page 10178

Wisconsin Waterway: Senate concurred in House amendment to and cleared for President S. 1250, to declare Pike Creek above the easterly side of the highway bridge at Sixth Avenue in the city of Kenosha, Wis., a nonnavigable stream. Page 10178

D. C. Convention Delegates: Senate considered but did not complete action on H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions, adopting several Morse amendments of a technical, corrective nature (to committee amendment in nature of a substitute). Pages 10170, 10192–10193

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nomination of Wilber M. Brucker, of Michigan, to be Secretary of the Army, and two judicial nominations. Page 10206

Recess: Recessed at 7:38 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense continued its hearings on 1956 appropriations for military construction, with testimony in behalf of funds for Air Force construction from Lyle S. Garlock, Assistant Secretary of Air Force (Financial Management); John M. Ferry, Special Assistant for Installations, Office of Secretary of Air Force; Maj. Gen. L. B. Washbourne, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations; Lewis E. Turner, Chief, Military Requirements and Construction Division, Directorate of Budget, DCS/Comptroller; and Col. W. G. Moore, Jr., Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations.

On Friday, July 8, the subcommittee heard testimony in behalf of funds for Navy construction from Raymond H. Fogler, Assistant Secretary of Navy (Material); Rear Adm. Sherman R. Clark, Director, Shore Establishment Development and Maintenance Division, Office of Chief of Naval Operations; and Rear Adm. John R. Perry, Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

RESERVE FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded its hearings on H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces, hearing testimony from Senator Thurmond; Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; Gen. Lemuel C. Shepherd, Jr., Commandant, U. S. Marine Corps; Gen. T. D. White, Air Force Chief of Staff; Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, Army Chief of Staff; Adm. Robert B. Carney, Chief of Naval Operations; Adm. D. B. Duncan, Vice Chief of Naval Operations; Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Office of the Commandant, Coast Guard; Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Personnel); Gen. Julius O. Adler, National Security Training Commission; and Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, Director, Selective Service System.

On Friday, July 8, the committee heard testimony on this bill from the following witnesses: Maj. Gen. E. A. Walsh, president, National Guard Association; Col. C. M. Boyer, Reserve Officers Association; Clarence Mitchell, NAACP; John M. Swomley, Jr., National Council Against Conscription; Pvts. Harold Bramson and Bernard Broome, Walter Reed Army Medical Center; Mrs. Agnes Waters, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. William E. Brainard, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom; A. M. Downer, VFW; Elizabeth A. Smart, WCTU and National Temperance and Prohibition Council; Galen Martin, Students for Democratic Action; Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., ADA; E. Raymond Wilson, Friends Committee on National Legislation; William G. Gibbons, Washington, D. C.; Richard Thompson, National Conference of Methodist Youth; Charles E. Foster, DAV; John H. Eberly, Church of the Brethren; Dr. J. Raymond Schmidt, National Civic League; Bernard Weitzer, Jewish War Veterans; Raymond C. Winterbottom, American Veterans of World War II; Prof. W. Astor Kirk, Huston-Tillotson College, Austin, Tex.; Robert Nicholson, United Christian Youth Movement; David Whatley, William E. Bush, Cruz Reynoso, and Maurice M. Morgan, all of Washington, D. C.; Miss Lavon Burrichter, Evangelical and Reformed Youth Fellowship; and Aubrey N. Brown III, Presbyterian Church U. S. Youth Fellowship.

Committee will meet on Wednesday, July 13, for executive consideration of this bill.

MILITARY HOUSING

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction heard testimony from

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Adm. Arthur W. Radford regarding housing for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Banking and Currency: On Friday, July 8, committee met in executive session to hear Comptroller General Joseph Campbell make recommendations for amendments to the Defense Production Act. Mr. Campbell also discussed with the committee on investigatory report made by his department.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking continued its hearings on S. 880 and H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies, and S. 2350, to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests. Witnesses heard today were George R. Boyles, chairman, federal legislative committee, American Bankers Association; George A. Newbury, president, Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co., Buffalo; and Bayard F. Pope, chairman, executive committee, Marine Midland Corp., New York. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. INSANITY PLEAS

Committee on the District of Columbia: On Friday, July 8, Subcommittee on the Judiciary concluded its hearings on S. 2274, to amend the act to establish a code of law for the D. C. with regard to insanity pleas, hearing testimony in opposition to certain sections of the bill from David E. Feller, associate general counsel, CIO, who testified before the subcommittee as an individual. Testimony favoring the bill was heard from George E. Hart, Jr., Law Enforcement Council of the D. C.

CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION

Committee on Finance: On Friday, July 8, committee concluded its hearings on H. R. 6040, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the customs laws, with testimony favoring the bill from George L. Bell, Committee for a National Trade Policy. Testifying in opposition to section 2 of the bill (relating to value), and suggesting certain amendments to the bill, were R. Houston Jewell, the American Cotton Manufacturers Institute, Inc.; Joseph L. Miller, National Association of Cotton Manufacturers; Irene Blunt, National Federation of Textiles, Inc.; Harry A. Moss, Jr., American Knit Handwear Association, Inc.; Arthur M. Klurfeld, Textile Fabrics Association; Edwin Wilkinson, National Association of Wool Manufacturers; A. C. Cramer, Albany Felt Co.; David H. Harshaw, John B. Stetson Co.; John Hilldring, Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers Association, and Manufacturing Chemists Association; and Richard F. Hansen, Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.

Committee will meet tomorrow for executive consideration of this bill.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, hearing testimony from John Stevenson, of Sullivan & Cromwell, New York City; Seymour J. Rubin, of Landis, Cohen, Rubin & Schwartz, Washington, D. C.; Irving R. M. Panzer, of Fischer, Willis & Panzer, Washington, D. C.; Richard Schifter, of Riegelman, Strasser & Spiegelberg, Washington, D. C.; Robert H. Reiter and Glen A. Wilkinson, Washington, D. C.; David A. Avram, Leon F. Bergere, Ben Blumenthal, and Vincent P. Downey and his client Richard Popovici, all of New York City; Henry R. Bernhardt, of Carl Marks & Co., Inc., New York City; Paul Neuberger, counsel for the Bulgarian Claims Committee; Saul L. Sherman, of Lord, Day & Lord, New York City; David Joffo, Flint, Mich.; and Philip Levy.

On Friday, July 8, committee received testimony on this bill from Representatives Bentley, Keogh, and Multer; Thruston Morton, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations; Whitney Gillilland, Chairman, and Henry J. Clay, Commissioner, both of Foreign Claims Settlement Commission; Sidney Gross, Chief of Legal and Legislative Section, Office of Alien Property, Justice Department; and Edmund Nussear, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Accounts, Treasury Department.

CONTEMPT CITATIONS, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported 7 private claims bills (S. 417, 1352, 1584, H. R. 1751, 2747, 3560, 3193), and 52 private immigration bills (H. Con. Res. 99, S. 84, 97, 141, 173, 239, 240, 253, 314, 358, 379, 410, 418, 602, 671, 698, 768, 1218, 1296, 1353, 1368, 1540, 1541, 1986, H. R. 1245, 1275, 1463, 1538, 1540, 1541, 1549, 1551, 1648, 1661, 1693, 1750, 1883, 1929, 1954, 2073, 2274, 2353, 2495, 2721, 2724, 2756, 2911, 2925, 2929, 3853, 3972, 4245).

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on 6 private claims bills (S. 1063, H. R. 1025, 2316, 2349, 3036, 3178); 1 original resolution referring to Court of Claims S. 1862, a private claim bill; and 14 private immigration bills (S. 136, 242, 268, 679, 697, 764, 1376, 1558, 1663, 1671, 1685, 1698, 2231, H. R. 5021).

Committee also ordered reported three original resolutions recommending that the Senate cite for contempt Harvey M. Matusow, Harry Sacher, and Joseph Starobin.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings regarding the Dixon-Yates power contract, hearing further testimony from Adolphe R. Wenzell, formerly vice president of the First Boston Corp., New York, and presently with the

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. Mr. Wenzell testified further and answered questions regarding First Boston Corp.'s interest in financing the Dixon-Yates contract.

On Friday, July 8, the subcommittee heard testimony on this matter from Mr. Wenzell and his counsel, Arthur H. Bean.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

PRIVATE BILL

Committee on the Judiciary: On Saturday, July 9, special subcommittee held and concluded hearings on S. 703, a private claims bill.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, July 8, Special Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency concluded its current series of hearings, after hearing testimony from Thomas Waxter, director, Maryland State Department of Public Welfare; Philip Schiff, Washington representative of National Jewish Welfare Board; Francis Finnegan, head of Philadelphia Youth Authority, executive director of Crime Prevention Committee, and representing the American Municipal Association; Saul Alinsky, Industrial Areas Foundation; Mrs. Mildred Jeffrey, community relations representative, UAW, CIO; and Mrs. Richard Radue, chairman, Washington legislative committee, National Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

MENTAL HEALTH

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Health, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment H. J. Res. 256, providing for a nationwide analysis and reevaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness; and with amendments S. 849, Medical Research Act of 1955.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 35 public bills, H. R. 7224–7258; 19 private bills, H. R. 7259–7277; and 7 resolutions, H. J. Res. 379–382, H. Con. Res. 189, and H. Res. 305 and 306, were introduced. **Pages 10254–10256**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 7224, the mutual security appropriation bill for 1956, filed on July 8 (H. Rept. 1086);

H. R. 3383, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Colorado River storage project and participating projects, filed on July 8 (H. Rept. 1087);

Conference report on H. R. 6295, to increase Government employees' travel expense allowances (H. Rept. 1088);

H. Res. 304, to authorize the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to conduct investigations and studies with respect to certain matters within its jurisdiction (H. Rept. 1089);

S. 824, a private bill (H. Rept. 1090);

S. 1878, amending the act authorizing the conveyance of certain lands to Miles City, Mont., in order to extend for 5 years the authority under such act (H. Rept. 1091);

H. R. 622, providing for the release by the United States of its rights and interests in certain land located in Saginaw County, Mich. (H. Rept. 1092);

H. R. 7157, providing for the leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands, amended (H. Rept. 1093);

H. R. 6066, authorizing modification of the project for flood protection on the San Joaquin River and tributaries, California, amended (H. Rept. 1094);

H. R. 7214, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act to make the minimum wage $1 an hour effective March 1, 1956 (H. Rept. 1095);

Conference report on H. R. 5891, to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands (H. Rept. 1096);

Conference report on S. 1464, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber access roads (H. Rept. 1097); and

H. R. 7201, relating to the taxation of income of insurance companies (H. Rept. 1098). **Page 10254**

Supplemental Appropriations: Pursuant to a unanimous-consent request the consideration of a supplemental appropriation bill was made in order on Thursday next. **Page 10206**

Mutual Security Appropriations: By a record vote of 251 yeas to 123 nays the House passed H. R. 7224, making appropriations for mutual security for the fiscal year 1956, after rejecting a recommittal motion by a voice vote. Adopted a perfecting amendment and rejected amendments that sought to—

Prevent use of funds to subsidize certain British aircraft industries;

Bar the use of new funds as long as there remain $3 billion of unexpended funds;

Prevent the use of funds for technical assistance for agriculture; and

Place a 33⅓-percent limitation on U. S. contributions to international organizations.

The bill provides appropriations of $2,638,741,750 for fiscal year 1956, a reduction of $627,900,000 under the budget estimates; a reduction of $21,366,750 was also made in the estimated balances reported as unobligated on June 30, 1955. Pages 10207, 10249

Alaska Water Resources: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3990, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to the Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Engle, Aspinall, O'Brien of New York, Miller of Nebraska, and Saylor. Page 10249

Committee to Sit: The Committee on the Judiciary was granted permission to sit, when the House is in session, for the balance of the week. Pages 10252–10253

Bills Referred: Two Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 10253

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:58 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SOIL CONSERVATION—COMMODITY CREDIT

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Conservation and Credit agreed today to report to the full committee a clean bill which would supersede the amended version of H. R. 6062, permitting payments under the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act to farmers for certain water conservation practices. Also referred to the full committee for further open hearings H. J. Res. 313, authorizing the Commodity Credit Corporation until March 1, 1956, to sell at the point of storage any feed grain owned by the Corporation at 10 percent above the current support price for the commodity.

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENTAL STATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Research and Extension held a hearing last Friday on H. R. 6851, H. R. 5562, and S. 1759, to consolidate the Hatch Act of 1887, and laws supplementary thereto, relating to the appropriation of Federal funds for the support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. Witnesses testifying were Delegate Farrington, of Hawaii; G. W. Irving, Jr., Deputy Administrator for Research, Agriculture Research Service; H. C. Knoblauch, Director, State Experimental Stations Division, Agricultural Research Service, and Dr. Harry R. Varney, representing the Association of Land Grant Colleges.

PERISHABLE COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture: The Subcommittee on Domestic Marketing voted last Friday to report to the full committee H. R. 5337, amended, relating to changing certain practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities.

FORESTRY

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry voted last Friday to report the following bills favorably to the full committee—H. R. 374, adjusting ownership to certain lands within the Stanislaus National Forest, Tuolumne County, Calif.; H. R. 426, amended, to provide for the establishment of townsites, from national forests, land administered under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act; H. R. 763 (S. 72 recommended to be reported to House), to provide that certain lands acquired by the United States shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands; and H. R. 1855, amended, to amend the act to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service, relating to forest research.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a briefing on H. R. 7089, to provide benefits for the survivors of servicemen and veterans. The measure was reported to the House on June 28 by a select committee (Representative Hardy, chairman). An explanation of the bill is also scheduled for tomorrow morning before the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

MILITARY OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered the following bills reported to the full committee last Friday—H. R. 2149, to increase the annual compensation of the academic dean of the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School; H. R. 4672, to increase the annuities of certain retired civilian members of the teaching staffs of the U. S. Naval Academy and the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School; H. R. 2150, to provide for certain adjustments in the dates of rank of nurses and women medical specialists of the Regular Army and Regular Air Force in the permanent grade of captain; H. R. 4106, to authorize the crediting, for certain purposes, of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under section 101 or 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947; H. R. 7194, amended, to authorize subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel; and H. R. 6794, amended, to authorize certain military and departmental officers to accept and wear the Philippine Legion of Honor in the degree of commander, and supporting documents conferred by the Government of the Philippines.

BANK LOANS—INTERNATIONAL FINANCE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held a hearing today on H. R. 6228, to permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans and 9-month construction loans; to amend sections 5136 and 5221 of the Revised Statutes; to amend the Federal Reserve Act; and to provide for U. S. participation in the International Finance Corporation. Witnesses heard on the proposals were George M. Humphrey, Secretary of the Treasury, who was accompanied by W. Randolph Burgess, Under Secretary of the Treasury, and Andrew N. Overby, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; Samuel C. Waugh, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; and Maj. Gen. Glen H. Edgerton, President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of Washington. Recessed until tomorrow morning when executive consideration is scheduled on bills to amend the Defense Production Act and extend the Small Business Act.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded public hearings last Friday on H. R. 7071, to extend the Defense Production Act of 1950. Witnesses heard at the session were Terrell Fentress, who testified for Hugh A. Stewart, Director of the Oil and Gas Division, Department of the Interior; and Paul Sullivan, Acting Director, Office of National Shipping Authority, Department of Commerce.

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON, D. C.

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee held a hearing last Friday on H. R. 6464, regarding preferences to business enterprises displaced by development of Southwest Washington, D. C. Testimony on the proposed legislation was received from officials of the District of Columbia Government and representatives of citizens associations and business groups from the southwest section of the city.

FEDERAL EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: Began consideration on Friday of H. R. 7152, authorizing Federal assistance to States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow (Tuesday) morning.

GERMAN-JAPANESE CLAIMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The ad hoc subcommittee on H. J. Res. 272, 264, 265, and 268 heard the following witnesses on these resolutions which relate to German-Japanese claims against the United States—Dallas S. Townsend, Director, Office of Alien Property; Sidney Gross, Office of Alien Property; Rev. John A. Scherzer, treasurer, Committee for Return of Confiscated German and Japanese Property, Washington, D. C.; Charles P. Tittman, Mike M. Masaoka, George E. Rosden, and Chester C. Shore, all of Washington, D. C.; Seymour J. Rubin, of Landis, Cohen, Rubin & Schwartz, Washington, D. C.; and Howard Watson Ambruster, Westfield, N. J.

STATUS OF FORCES TREATY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Announced that an open session will be conducted on Wednesday (10:30 a. m.), to receive testimony from Members of Congress on H. J. Res. 309, and related measures, concerning the Status of Forces Treaty.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan subcommittee heard Defense Mobilizer Arthur S. Flemming today, who discussed the tax-amortization program as it relates to the railroad industry. Scheduled to testify on the same topic tomorrow is Owen Clarke, Defense Transport Administrator.

HELLS CANYON DAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee held a hearing today on H. R. 4719, 4730, 4739, and 4740, bills which would authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Hells Canyon Dam on the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon. Officials of the Bureau of Reclamation, from Denver, Colo., who testified, were L. G. Puls, head of Concrete Dams Design Section; C. I. Hoisington, Chief of Estimates and Analysis Branch, Construction Division; and J. R. Riter, Chief Development Engineer, Commissioner's Office. Other witnesses heard were Earl D. Ostrander, director of administrative management, Bonneville Power Administration, Portland, Oreg.; Elwyn L. White, area engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, Boise, Idaho; and Lynn Crandall, district engineer of U. S. Geological Survey (Idaho Falls) and Snake River watermaster. Recessed until Wednesday morning.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee last Friday ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—H. R. 4391, to abolish the Castle Pinckney National Monument in South Carolina; H. R. 5280, amended, to authorize land exchanges for purposes of Colonial National Historical Park, in Virginia; H. R. 3120 and S. 732, to promote cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of the Nation's important historic properties in the New York City area; H. R. 6101 and S. 464 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents for certain lands in Florida bordering upon Indian River. Also considered, but took no action, H. R. 3650, a private bill.

Testimony was received on the bills from the following witnesses—On H. R. 5280, Representative Robeson of Virginia, and Conrad Wirth, Director, National Park Service. On H. R. 3120 and S. 732, Representative Klein, of New York; Gardner Osborn, chairman, historic sites committee, Sons of American Revolution; and Conrad Wirth, Director, National Park Service. On H. R. 3650, Representative Sisk, of California, author of the bill; Harold R. Hochmuth, Lands Staff Officer, Bureau of Land Management; and Franklin Parks and John R. McDonald, of the Atomic Energy Commission. On H. R. 6101 and S. 464, Harold R. Hochmuth, Lands Staff Officer, Bureau of Land Management; and N. E. Shearer, chief, cadastral engineering section, eastern State office, Bureau of Land Management. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

ALASKA—GUAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien (New York) subcommittee last Friday approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 6376 (amended), to transfer from the Federal Government to the Territory of Alaska basic responsibility and authority for the hospitalization, care, and treatment of the mentally ill in Alaska. Also discussed, in executive session, the subject of Guam security clearance requirements.

FEDERAL AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications resumed hearings last Friday on H. R. 6260, to substitute the Secretary of Commerce for the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics in carrying out the provisions of the Federal Airport Act and specifies that the Secretary of Commerce prepare and revise a national airport plan at least 3 months prior to the close of each fiscal year. Testimony was received from the following—Representatives Cramer, Trimble, and Wilson of California; William B. Hartsfield, mayor of Atlanta, Ga., representing the American Municipal Association; Fred Alley, representing the American Association of Airport Executives, Charleston, W. Va.; Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation, accompanied by F. B. Lee, Administrator of Civil Aeronautics; and Thomas K. Jordon, Director of Aviation, State of Wisconsin. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SALK VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Health and Science, last Friday, approved for reporting to the entire committee H. R. 7126, to provide grants to assist States to meet the cost of poliomyelitis vaccination programs. The measure is scheduled to be considered tomorrow (Tuesday) morning.

CLAYTON ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems began hearings today on H. R. 6875, to amend the Clayton Act to allow the courts discretion in awarding damages. Witnesses on the proposal were Stanley N. Barnes, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Abram Myers, Allied States Association of Motion Picture Exhibitors; and Earl Kintner, General Counsel of the Federal Trade Commission. Recessed on the subject until Wednesday morning.

WAR CONTRACTORS RELIEF

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard testimony today in connection with H. R. 4299 and 5753, to direct departments, agencies, etc., upon request within 60 days after this enactment, to reconsider claims heretofore filed under the provisions of the War Contractors Relief Act and rejected in whole or in part. Witnesses testifying were Representative Shelley, author of H. R. 5753; David L. Kreeger, attorney, Washington, D. C., and Thomas Caldwell, attorney, Harrisburg, Pa. Also received a statement for the record from Josephus C. Trimble, attorney, Washington, D. C.

In executive session the subcommittee ordered one private claim bill of the Senate to be reported to the full committee.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 received testimony in open session today on several private immigration bills. In executive session the subcommittee ordered reported to the full committee 24 private immigration bills of the House, and reported adversely on 65 private immigration bills (64 of the House and 1 of the Senate).

PRESIDENTS—PATENTS—BOUNDARY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 3, last Friday, ordered the following bills reported to the full committee, each amended—H. R. 7010, to create the Office of Senate Delegate in the United States Senate for former Presidents; H. R. 4983, to fix the fees payable to the Patent Office; and H. R. 4093, to authorize Federal assistance to the States of Maryland and Delaware to reestablish their common boundary.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed public hearings in connection with its study of national maritime labor-management problems. Today's witnesses were Harry Lunderberg, executive secretary of the Sailors Union of the Pacific, and president of the Seafarer's Union of North America; and Vincent Malone, president, Maritime Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders, and Wipers (AFL). At a hearing on the same subject last Friday, the committee received testimony from Vice Adm. Francis C. Denebrink, Commander, Military Sea Transportation Service, along with William Lyle Bull, commercial shipping adviser.

WAR RISK INSURANCE

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House (last Friday) S. 741, to extend for 5 years the authority of the Secretary of Commerce, to provide war risk insurance under title XII of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 (now expires September 7, 1955). Witnesses heard on the measure were Clarence G. Morse, Maritime Administrator; and Owen Kane, legislative attorney, General Accounting Office. Statements in favor of the proposal were also received from representatives of shipping interests.

FEDERAL JOB GRADES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 3255, 3085, and 5887, bills which would provide in certain cases that a person holding a position subject to the Classification Act who is placed in a lower grade shall not receive less pay as a result thereof. Testimony on the proposed legislation was received today from Representative Lesinski (author of H. R. 3255), Representative Becker (author of H. R. 3085), and Representative Kelly of New York (author of H. R. 5887). Testimony was also received from John W. Macy, Jr., Executive Director, Civil Service Commission, accompanied by Frank J. Barley (Director, Bureau of Inspections and Classification Audits), O. Glenn Stahl (Director, Bureau of Programs and Standards), and Seymour S. Berlin (Chief, Program Planning Division); William G. Hughes, Communications Chief, Department of the Army; Miss Marion M. Price, Administrative Assistant, Accounts Branch, Department of Justice; and James Campbell, president, the American Federation of Government Employees. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Began hearings today on the recommendations of the special 9-member subcommittee (Representative Fallon, chairman), which would finance the proposed Federal-aid highway program (H. R. 7072). The subcommittee recommended an increase last Friday in the Federal gasoline tax to 3 cents a gallon, instead of 2 cents; diesel fuel to 6 cents from 2 cents; heavy truck tires, 15 cents a pound instead of 5 cents; and heavy truck tubes, 15 cents instead of 9 cents. A new tax of 7½ cents a pound on retreaded large tires was recommended, along with a proposal to increase the excise tax on trucks to 10 percent from 8 percent. The first witnesses to testify were Representative Ayres, of Ohio, and officials of the Bureau of Public Roads, Treasury Department, and Internal Revenue Service. Other witnesses to follow were representatives of the American Trucking Association, American Farm Bureau Federation, National Association of Independent Tire Dealers, National Association of Motor Bus Operators, National Oil Jobbers Council, and Air Transport Association of America. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

CIVIL SERVICE BUILDING

Committee on Public Works: The Jones (Alabama) subcommittee held a hearing last Friday on H. R. 4841 authorizing the Administrator of General Services to dispose of the Civil Service Commission Building in the District of Columbia for such purposes and upon such terms as the Administrator deems proper. Witnesses heard on the proposal were Representatives Morrison, of Louisiana (author of the bill), and McMillan, of South Carolina; Max Elliott, General Counsel, General Services Administration; Fred S. Poorman, Deputy Commissioner of Public Buildings, GSA; Wallace K. Harrison, member, Commission of Fine Arts, who was accompanied by Linton R. Wilson, Secretary of the Commission; William S. Cheatham, General Counsel and Acting Director, National Capital Planning Commission; Louis Simon, American Institute of Architects; L. M. Leisenring, chairman, Washington-Metropolitan Chapter, AIA, Committee on Preservation of Historic Buildings; and Douglas G. Mode, attorney, representing a group of downtown District of Columbia merchants, principally the Hecht Co.

HUDSON RIVER CHANNEL, N. J.

Committee on Public Works: The Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors considered a review study report last Friday regarding the Hudson River Channel, N. J. The resolution was submitted by Representative Osmers, who testified along with Representative Dorn of New York. Other witnesses heard were Milton T. Lasher, mayor of Edgewater, N. J.; Richard Gaul, borough engineer, Edgewater, N. J.; Leon Leighton, vice president, New York-Susquehanna & Western Railroad; Donald W. Smith, vice president, Seatrain Lines; William Joseph, plant superintendent, Barrett Division, Allied Chemical & Dye Corp.; Henry Baierlein, plant engineer, Hoboken Yard, Bethlehem Steel Co.; Roger H. Gilman, director, port development division, New York Port Authority; and Col. J. U. Allen, Corps of Engineers.

POST OFFICE AND CIVIL SERVICE

Committee on Rules: Approved for reporting to the House H. Res. 304, to authorize the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to conduct investigations and studies with respect to certain matters within its jurisdiction. Speaking on behalf of the proposal today were Representatives Murray of Tennessee and Rees of Kansas.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued executive consideration last Friday of miscellaneous pending bills proposed by committee members. Will resume on same subject tomorrow morning, and meet in afternoon on H. R. 7225, amending the social security laws.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bills on D. C. convention delegates and D. C. unemployment compensation.

House passed farm credit bill.

Senate committees approved numerous bills and nominations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10275–10286

Bills Introduced: 7 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2494 to S. 2500; and S. Res. 128 to S. Res. 131. Pages 10276–10277

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 84, 141, 173, 239, 240, 253, 314, 358, 379, 410, 418, 671, 698, 768, 1296, 1353, 1540, H. R. 1245, 1275, 1463, 1538, 1540, 1541, 1549, 1551, 1648, 1661, 1693, 1750, 1883, 1929, 1954, 2073, 2274, 2353, 2495, 2721, 2724, 2756, 2911, 2929, 2925, 3560, 3853, 3972, S. 97, 417, 602, 1368, 1541, 1986, H. R. 4245, S. 1218, H. Con. Res. 99, H. R. 1751, private bills (S. Repts. 768–822);

S. Res. 129, citation of Joseph Starobin for contempt of Senate (S. Rept. 823);

S. Res. 130, citation of Harry Sacher for contempt of Senate (S. Rept. 824);

S. Res. 131, citation of Harvey M. Matusow for contempt of Senate (S. Rept. 825);

H. R. 4585, to simplify the procedures governing the mailing of certain religious publications (S. Rept. 826);

H. R. 4778, to provide for purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department, and mail clerks of the armed forces, with amendments (S. Rept. 827);

H. R. 1619, relating to renewal of veterans' term insurance within 120 days after separation from service (S. Rept. 828);

H. R. 6419, to redefine the terms "stepchild" and "stepparent" for the purposes of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act (S. Rept. 829);

H. R. 6832, to permit lump-sum payment of attorneys' fees in suits for waiver of insurance premiums on account of total disability of veterans (S. Rept. 830);

H. R. 7066, to provide for conservation of anthracite coal resources through flood control and mine drainage (S. Rept. 831);

H. R. 1617, concerning automatic waiver of insurance premiums for certain prisoners of war, with an amendment (S. Rept. 832); and

S. Res. 128, authorizing additional funds of $10,000 for Committee on Foreign Relations (no written report). Pages 10276–10277

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 10275

Bill Re-Referred: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 841, a private bill, and the bill was then referred to Committee on Post Office and Civil Service. Page 10278

D. C. Convention Delegates: Senate passed with amendment H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions, after first adopting committee amendment (in nature of a substitute). The committee substitute had been amended yesterday by adoption of several Morse corrective amendments. Pages 10286–10289

D. C. Unemployment Compensation: Senate passed with amendments S. 1835, to amend the D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act, after first adopting committee amendments, and McNamara amendments providing that weekly benefits shall be computed to next higher multiple of $1. Pages 10289–10290

Defense Production: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2391, extending Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years. Pages 10290–10291

Nonmilitary Defense Planning: A compilation of present status of nonmilitary defense planning in certain Federal agencies was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 60. Page 10278

Committee Authorizations: All committees were authorized to file reports during Senate adjournment. Page 10297

Nominations: Two civilian nominations were received, including that of Reuben Buck Robertson, Jr., of Ohio, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense, along with two Army nominations, and the withdrawal of nominations of Allen Whitfield, of Iowa, to be member of Atomic Energy Commission. Page 10298

Adjournment: Adjourned at 1:34 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Committee began hearings, today in executive session, on H. R. 7224, fiscal

1956 appropriations for mutual security, with testimony from Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and Special Assistant to the President Harold E. Stassen, both of whom were accompanied by their assistants.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking continued its hearings on S. 880 and H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies, and S. 2350, to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests. Witnesses heard today were J. Cameron Thomson, president, Northwest Bancorporation, Minneapolis; William G. Brumder, president, Wisconsin Bankshares Corp., Milwaukee; Walter H. Field, president, First National Bank, Sunnyvale, Calif.; and Les Allen, president, Valley National Bank, Alhambra, Calif. Hearings continue Thursday, July 14.

D. C. CAPITAL TRANSIT CO.

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, Welfare, and Safety held hearings to question Louis E. Wolfson, chairman of the board of directors of the D. C. Capital Transit Co., with regard to financial and labor policies of that company. Subcommittee also heard testimony from Samuel Spencer, president, and Robert E. McLaughlin, Commissioner, both of the D. C. Board of Commissioners; Lloyd Harrison, General Counsel, D. C. PUC; J. A. B. Broadwater, president, and E. Cleveland Giddings, vice president, both of the Capital Transit Co.; Roger J. Moure, Arlington, Va.; and James A. Doyle, Baltimore, Md.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

D. C. POLICEMEN AND FIREMEN

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Fiscal Affairs held hearings on the following bills: H. R. 5892, authorizing overtime compensation for officers and members of the Metropolitan Police Force and the Fire Department of the D. C.; S. 2421 and S. 2427, authorizing overtime compensation for officers and members of Metropolitan Police Force, U. S. Park Police, White House Police, and Fire Department of the D. C.; and S. 2428, to increase the salaries of officers and members of Metropolitan Police Force, Fire Department of D. C., U. S. Park Police, and White House Police. Testimony was heard today from the following witnesses: Senator Mansfield; Samuel Spencer, President, D. C. Board of Commissioners; Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; Schuyler Lowe, D. C. Department of General Administration; Chief Robert V. Murray, Metropolitan Police Department; Chief Millard H. Sutton, D. C. Fire Department; Inspector Hobart W. Francis, White House Police; Chief Harold F. Stewart, U. S. Park Police; George D. Riley, AFL; Royce L. Givens, Policemen's Association of D. C.; Alvin Davis, Firemen's Association; Luther C. Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; Clarence A. Arata, Washington Board of Trade; Col. Frank H. Collins, Federation of Citizens Associations; Mrs. Ernest W. Howard, representing Federation of Women's Clubs and Ladies' Auxiliary of International Association of Firefighters; and Isadore A. Perry, Federation of Business Men's Associations, Inc.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—H. R. 1619, relating to renewal of veterans' term insurance within 120 days after separation from service; H. R. 6832, to permit lump-sum payment of attorneys' fees in suits for waiver of insurance premiums on account of total disability of veteran; and H. R. 6419, to redefine the terms "stepchild" and "stepparent" for the purposes of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act; and

With a technical clarifying amendment—H. R. 1617, concerning automatic waiver of insurance premiums for certain prisoners of war.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following: An original resolution (S. Res. 128) authorizing additional funds of $10,000 for Committee on Foreign Relations; an original resolution, in lieu of S. Con. Res. 22, favoring U. S. participation in a scientific commission within the U. N. to study certain effects of nuclear explosions; and without amendment S. 985, to establish an Alaska International Rail and Highway Commission.

The committee referred to its Consultative Subcommittee on Public Affairs and State Department Organization S. 2410, to promote the foreign policy of the U. S. by amending the U. S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948.

Committee postponed until tomorrow consideration of S. Res. 126, withdrawal of U. S. recognition of certain governments, and S. Res. 127, right of free peoples to self-determination.

BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—H. R. 1801, authorizing purchase, sale, and exchange of certain Indian lands on the Yakima Indian Reservation; H. R. 1802, authorizing leasing of certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for historical and park purposes; H. R. 3123, recoupment of certain public-school construction costs, and expenditure of funds for cooperating with the Public School Board of Walker, Minn.; H. R. 473,

authorizing investigation and report on advisability of a national monument in Brooklyn, N. Y.; H. R. 4894, to repeal certain laws relating to timber and stone on the public domain; H. R. 4001, to provide for the management and disposition of certain public domain lands in Oklahoma; H. R. 4747, quitclaim reversionary interests in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Okla.; H. R. 6331, relating to sale or lease of certain shorelands and tidelands in Hawaii; H. R. 65, to adjust boundary between second and fourth judicial districts in Alaska; H. R. 605, providing for the abolition of the 80-rod reserved spaces between claims on shore waters in Alaska; H. R. 896, 897, 902, 904, and 905, private bills; H. R. 7066, to provide for the conservation of anthracite coal resources through flood control and mine drainage; S. 878, extending the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation; S. 1906, to authorize the Pueblos of San Lorenzo and Pojoaque in New Mexico to sell certain lands to the Navajo Tribe; S. 1746, continuing the Indian Claims Commission to April 10, 1962; S. 1917, authorizing construction of a national highway in Grand Teton National Park (pending departmental report); and S. 2049, recognizing 50th anniversary of Devils Tower National Monument (pending departmental report); and

Amended—H. R. 4367, distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians; H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights; S. 535, conveyance to North Dakota, for use as a State historic site, of land where Chief Sitting Bull was originally buried; S. 1745, a private bill; S. 2198, to extend the period of restrictions on lands belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma; and S. 2039, authorizing lease of unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Arizona.

SHIPPING BILLS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries held hearings on S. 822, to require the armed services to utilize private American shipping services for the overseas transportation of commodities and civilian personnel, and S. 2286, to provide for the utilization of privately owned shipping services for transportation of privately owned motor vehicles of certain personnel of Defense Department. Witnesses heard today were Earl B. Smith, Director of Transportation and Communications, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Supply and Logistics), and Robert E. Mayer, president, Pacific American Steamship Association.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings regarding the Dixon-Yates power contract, hearing testimony today from J. Sinclair Armstrong, Chairman of the SEC. Hearings continue tomorrow.

NARCOTIC PROBLEMS IN THE D. C.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Narcotics resumed its hearings today into problems of narcotic traffic in the D. C. Witnesses heard today were D. C. Commissioner Robert E. McLaughlin accompanied by his associates; Chief Robert V. Murray, Capt. John D. Layton, former Chief of Narcotics Squad, Capt. Todd O. Thoman, Jr., Chief of the Narcotics Squad, and Detective Sgt. Joseph Gabrys, of the Narcotics Squad, all of the Metropolitan Police Department; and Troy Ingle, of D. C., a narcotics violator. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

An original bill to amend the PHS Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis;

Without amendment—H. J. Res. 256, providing for a nationwide analysis and reevaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness; H. R. 5792, to extend until July 16, 1956, the time which a Korean veteran has to apply for mustering-out payment; H. R. 4946, to amend title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act, relative to unemployment compensation; H. R. 4225, authorizing VA to convey certain property of the U. S. to the city of North Little Rock, Ark.; H. R. 6796, to transfer a tract of land to Clarksburg, W. Va.; and H. R. 4707, H. R. 4198, and H. R. 3354, private bills;

With amendments—S. 849, Medical Research Act of 1955; and S. 2280, to amend the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act to provide increased benefits in case of disabling injuries;

With an amendment—H. R. 3253, to provide for continued operation of certain schools on military installations;

Fifty-six routine nominations in the Public Health Service; and

An original resolution recommending that the Senate cite Eugene C. James for contempt of Senate.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—H. R. 4585, to simplify the procedures governing the mailing of certain religious publications; H. R. 4808, to authorize transmission through the mail of certain keys, identification devices,

and small articles; and S. 2403, to authorize dual employment of custodial employees in post-office buildings operated by GSA;

With amendment—H. R. 4778, to provide for purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department, and mail clerks of the Armed Forces (amendment would cover all Federal employees); and

One hundred and thirteen postmaster nominations.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors held hearings on the following bills:

On S. 1899, to authorize the improvement of the Amite River, and its tributaries, in Louisiana—with testimony from Senator Long, and Col. H. W. Penney and Joseph R. Brennan, both of the Corps of Engineers, Army;

On S. 1919, to modify the project for intracoastal waterway in the vicinity of Algiers at New Orleans, La., with testimony from Senator Long, and Col. John U. Allen, Corps of Engineers, Army;

On S. 2093, authorizing the granting of certain property damages as a result of construction of the Oahe, Gavins Point, and Fort Randall dams and reservoir projects, Missouri River, with testimony from Senators Mundt and Case (South Dakota), and Col. William Whipple, Corps of Engineers, Army; and

On S. 1851, a private bill, with testimony from Milton A. Pearl, Corps of Engineers, Army.

Subcommittee also heard testimony from Senator Long on H. R. 4362, to amend the act authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control. Subcommittee will continue its hearings tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 15 public bills, H. R. 7278–7292; 7 private bills, H. R. 7293–7299; and 1 resolution, H. J. Res. 383, were introduced. Page 10360

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Seventeen private bills, H. R. 999, 1022, 1159, 1183, 1877, 1907, S. 350, H. R. 1976, 2273, 2466, 2467, 2525, 2945, 3349, 3501, 3845, and 3856 (H. Repts. 1099–1115, respectively);

H. R. 7278, making appropriations to supply certain regular and supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1116);

S. 741, 5-year extension of marine war-risk insurance authority, amended (H. Rept. 1117);

Nine private bills, H. R. 3956, 4970, 6036, 1160, 1544, 2278, 5546, 5767, and 6896 (H. Repts. 1118–1126, respectively);

S. 1041, to provide for inclusion in computation of accredited service of certain periods rendered by States toward civil-service retirement, amended (H. Rept. 1127);

S. 1792, amending the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, amended (H. Rept. 1128);

H. R. 5856, elimination of accounting for penalty mail materials on hand (H. Rept. 1129);

H. R. 6243, authorizing the construction of an atom-powered merchant ship (H. Rept. 1130);

H. R. 7125, extension of free mailing privileges for members of Armed Forces in Korea and combat zones (H. Rept. 1131);

H. R. 6794, a private bill (H. Rept. 1132);

H. R. 6274, to provide that no fee shall be charged a veteran for furnishing him with a copy of a certificate showing his service, amended (H. Rept. 1133);

H. R. 4672, to increase annuities of certain retired civilian members of teaching staffs of the U. S. Naval Academy and the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School (H. Rept. 1134);

H. R. 2150, to amend section 106 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 so as to correct certain inequities in promotion lists (H. Rept. 1135);

H. R. 4106, to authorize the crediting, for certain purposes, of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under section 101 or 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 (H. Rept. 1136);

H. R. 7194, to authorize subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel, amended (H. Rept. 1137);

H. R. 2149, to increase the annual compensation of the academic dean of the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School (H. Rept. 1138);

H. R. 7028, to authorize the Marine Corps to continue to have five lieutenant generals in time of peace (H. Rept. 1139);

H. R. 483, to provide for the appointment of doctors of osteopathy in the Medical Corps of the Army and Navy (H. Rept. 1140);

H. R. 2559, to authorize male nurses and medical specialists to be appointed as Reserve officers (H. Rept. 1141);

Ten private bills, S. 92, 476, 135, 1033, H. R. 1161, 1481, 1887, 2788, 6002, and 6532 (H. Repts. 1142–1151, respectively);

H. R. 6590, prohibiting the employment by the Government of the United States of persons who are disloyal or who believe in the right to strike against the Government of the United States, amended (H. Rept. 1152);

H. R. 6621, providing penalties for threats against and authorizing Secret Service protection for the Vice-President-elect, amended (H. Rept. 1153);

H. R. 6454, amending joint resolution relating to establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission, amended (H. Rept. 1154);

Report of the Special Study Mission to Central America on International Organizations and Movements (H. Rept. 1155);

H. R. 1599, providing for adjustments in the lands or interests therein acquired for the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Ga., by the reconveyance of certain lands or interests therein to the former owners thereof, amended (H. Rept. 1156);

H. Con. Res. 186, expressing the sense of Congress that certain countries should be granted membership in the United Nations, amended (H. Rept. 1157);

H. R. 2342, a private bill (H. Rept. 1158); and

S. 1550, authorizing Maine State Highway Commission to construct and operate a free highway bridge across the St. Croix River between Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada (H. Rept. 1159).

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Government Travel Expenses: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 6295, to provide an increased maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses, and sent the bill to the Senate.

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Public Lands: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 5891, to amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action.

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Public Works Appropriations: Concluded the consideration of the conference report on H. R. 6766, making appropriations for the Atomic Energy Commission, the Tennessee Valley Authority, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by the Department of the Army, but deferred the vote on its adoption to Wednesday. Pages 10306–10320

NATO Parliamentary Conference: The Speaker today appointed the following Members to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's Parliamentary Conference to be held in Paris in July 1955: Representatives Hays of Ohio, Smith of Mississippi, Anfuso, Johnson of California, Crumpacker, and Becker.

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Farm Credit: Adopted numerous committee amendments and passed by a voice vote H. R. 5168, to provide for the retirement of the Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration, and to increase borrower participation in the management and control of the Federal farm credit system.

H. Res. 298, the rule under which the bill was considered, had been adopted earlier. Pages 10322–10330

Bills Referred: 21 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 10358

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:44 p. m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL LEGISLATION

Committee on Agriculture: Heard departmental officials today in connection with the following bills—

Clarence M. Ferguson, Administrator, Federal Extension Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, on S. 2098, to provide appropriations for Agriculture Extension Service to meet special needs;

Roland Crumpler, Conservation Program Division, Agricultural Conservation Program Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, on S. 1167, to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act;

Representative Saylor testified in opposition to S. 1166, regarding importation of livestock and poultry into the Virgin Islands; Dr. M. R. Clarkson, Deputy Administrator for Regulatory Program, Agricultural Research Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, also testified on this bill; and

R. B. McLeaish, Administrator, and Henry Smith, Assistant Administrator, both of Farmers Home Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture, on H. R. 6914, to amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans.

MILITARY LEGISLATION

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 483, to provide for appointment of doctors of osteopathy in the Medical Corps of the Army and Navy;

H. R. 2149, to increase the annual compensation of the academic dean of the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School;

H. R. 2150, to provide for certain adjustments in the dates of rank of nurses and women medical specialists of the Regular Army and Regular Air Force in the permanent grade of captain;

H. R. 2559, to authorize male nurses and medical specialists to be appointed as Reserve officers;

H. R. 4106, to authorize the crediting, for certain purposes, of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under section 101 or 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947;

H. R. 4672, to increase the annuities of certain retired civilian members of the teaching staffs of the U. S.

Naval Academy and the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School;

H. R. 6274, amended, to provide that no fee shall be charged a veteran for furnishing him, his next of kin, or his legal representative a copy of his discharge or a copy of his certificate of service;

H. R. 6794, amended, to authorize certain military and departmental officers to accept and wear the Philippine Legion of Honor in the degree of commander, and supporting documents conferred by the Government of the Philippines;

H. R. 7028, to increase the peacetime limitation on the number of lieutenant generals in the Marine Corps;

H. R. 7194, amended, to authorize subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel; and

S. 1138, to continue the effectiveness of the act of 1953 (67 Stat. 177), as amended, providing certain construction and other authority.

SMALL BUSINESS—DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began executive consideration of S. 2127, to amend the Small Business Act of 1953, and H. R. 7071, extending the Defense Production Act of 1950. Will resume on same subjects tomorrow morning.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met executively on H. R. 7152, to authorize Federal assistance to States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms. Recessed until tomorrow for continuation of same subject.

FOREIGN SERVICE—BOUNDARIES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. Con. Res. 186, amended, expressing the sense of the Congress that certain countries should be granted membership in the United Nations;

S. 1550, to authorize Maine State Highway Commission to construct and operate a free highway bridge across the St. Croix River between Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada;

H. R. 5469, to extend the authority of the Corregidor Bataan Memorial Commission;

H. R. 5894, to amend act providing for membership in UNESCO to provide for acceptance of gifts;

S. J. Res. 12, amended, authorizing and directing the International Joint Commission on U. S. Canadian boundary waters to make a survey of the proposed Passamaquoddy tidal power project.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when Members of Congress are scheduled to testify in connection with H. J. Res. 309, and related measures, concerning the Status of Forces Treaty.

AUTOMOBILE RENTALS

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff subcommittee heard further testimony today from Donald L. Proulx, purchasing agent, Bureau of Indian Affairs, in connection with its study of contracts for rental of automobiles by that Bureau. Other departmental representatives heard at the concluding session of this study were W. Barton Greenwood, Assistant Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and John B. Hanson, Director of Motor Vehicle Division, General Supply Services, GSA.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan subcommittee continued its consideration of the tax amortization program. Discussed the program today as it relates to the railroad industry, with Owen Clarke, Defense Transport Administrator. Recessed until next Tuesday morning.

PUBLIC DOMAIN—TERRITORIES—INDIANS—RECLAMATON

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. J. Res. 194, amended, to designate the General Grant tree (known as the Nation's Christmas tree) in Kings Canyon National Park, Calif., as a national shrine;

H. R. 604, amended, to provide port of entry and related facilities on the Alaska Highway at the Alaskan-Canadian border in the Territory of Alaska;

H. R. 3083, amended, re the transfer of certain land within U. S. survey to the city of Sitka, Alaska;

H. R. 4391, to abolish the Castle Pinckney National Monument, in South Carolina;

H. R. 4718, amended, to authorize and direct the issuance of private patent to certain land in Alaska;

H. R. 5280, amended, to authorize land exchanges for purposes of Colonial National Historical Park, in Virginia;

H. R. 6376, amended, to provide for the hospitalization and care of the mentally ill in Alaska;

H. R. 7186, to constitute a Special Land Commission of 1955 to hear and provide for the review and determination of claims for the return of lands, in the Territory of Hawaii, conveyed to the Government during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry;

H. R. 7218, amended, to extend the period of restrictions on lands belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes in Oklahoma;

H. R. 6101, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents for certain lands in Florida bordering upon Indian River;

H. R. 3120, to promote public cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of the Nation's important historic properties in the New York City area; and

S. 1391, relating to a compact between California and Nevada regarding waters of Truckee, Carson, and Walker Rivers, and Lake Tahoe.

SALK VACCINE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House, amended, H. R. 7126, to provide grants to assist States to meet the cost of poliomyelitis vaccination programs.

FEDERAL AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Announced that the Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications will continue public hearings Thursday morning, July 14, on H. R. 6260, and S. 1785, to substitute the Secretary of Commerce for the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics in carrying out the provisions of the Federal Airport Act.

BOUNDARIES—PATENTS—COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4093, amended, to authorize Federal assistance to the States of Maryland and Delaware to reestablish their common boundary;

H. R. 4983, amended, to fix fees payable to the Patent Office;

H. R. 5649, to amend the U. S. Code in reference to applications for writ of habeas corpus by persons in custody pursuant to the judgment of a State court;

H. R. 6454, amended, to amend the joint resolution approved August 30, 1954, relating to the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission;

H. R. 6621, amended, to amend U. S. Code to provide penalties for threats against the Vice-President-elect and to authorize Secret Service protection for the Vice-President-elect; and

Four private claim bills of the Senate. One private claim bill of the House was tabled.

BANKING INSTITUTIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Antitrust Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 5948, relative to prohibiting certain acquisition of bank assets by other banks, banking associations, or trust companies.

NORTH DAKOTA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2, in executive session, ordered adversely reported to the full committee S. 288, providing for reimbursement of Meadow School District No. 29, Upham, N. Dak., for loss of revenue resulting from acquisition of certain lands within such school district by Interior Department.

Also, the subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee two private claims bills of the Senate.

STATE LAWS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 held a hearing on H. R. 3, to establish rules of interpretation governing questions of the effect of acts of Congress on State laws. Testimony on the subject was received from Representative Smith of Virginia; Frank Wilson, former Member of Congress, of Texas; Thomas B. Gay, of Richmond, Va.; James Windham, assistant attorney general of South Carolina; John M. Dalton, attorney general of Missouri; John L. Davidson, assistant attorney general of Illinois; Louis C. Wyman, attorney general for New Hampshire; and Douglas Bergman, member of the Texas State Legislature.

In an afternoon session, subcommittee heard testimony from Representatives Jonas and Dorn (South Carolina), and Lawrence E. Gooding, chairman, of the Wisconsin Employment Relations Board.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Continued hearings in connection with its study of maritime labor-management problems. Today's witnesses were Harry Lunderberg, executive secretary of the Sailor's Union of the Pacific, and president of the Seafarer's Union of North America, and Paul Hall, secretary-treasurer, Seafarers International Union, Atlantic and Gulf District; and Vincent Malone, president of Marine, Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders, and Wipers, AFL.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ATOMIC CARGO SHIP

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 6243, to authorize construction of a nuclear-powered merchant ship to promote the peacetime application of atomic energy.

FORMER PRESIDENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Morrison subcommittee considered, but took no action on, S. 1516, to provide former Presidents with annual allowance, clerical assistance, office space, and free mailing privileges, and widows of Presidents with an annual allowance. Recessed on the subject until next Tuesday morning.

DUAL EMPLOYMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Lesinski subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 7183, to authorize the dual employment of custodial employees in post-office buildings operated by the General Services Administration. Officials of the Post Office Department who testified on the legislation were Wendell Campbell, Office of the Solicitor; and John J. Leahey, Special Assistant, Bureau of Personnel; while employee groups were represented by John McCart, legislative representative, American Federation of Government Employees, and Ross A. Messer, legislative representative, National Association

of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Continued public hearings relating to the revenue provisions proposed by the special subcommittee to study Federal-aid highway construction bill. Testimony was received today from Representatives Wilson of Indiana, Sisk, Landrum, and Delegate Bartlett; George M. Humphrey, Secretary of the Treasury; Irving Eisbrouch, vice president, Dayton Rubber Co., representing various tire manufacturers of the Rubber Manufacturers Association; George J. Burger, vice president, National Federation of Independent Business; Tom Pickett, National Coal Association; Lloyd Halversen, National Grange; Jess N. Rosenberg, Western Highway Institute; Paul Hassler, Hassler Tire & Rubber Co., St. Joseph, Mich., representing retread industry. Also heard representatives of Lake Superior Iron Ore Association; International Brotherhood of Teamsters; American Transit Association; American Petroleum Institute; American Automobile Association; American Association of State Highway Officials; and the Cummings Diesel Engine Co., representing diesel engine industry. Representatives of farm and industrial groups also appeared and testified.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Met for briefing on H. R. 7089, to provide benefits for the survivors of servicemen and veterans. Stephen Carnes, staff director of the select committee which considered and reported the bill, explained its provisions.

SOCIAL SECURITY, TAXES, AND TARIFFS

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 7225, to amend the social security laws (with technical and clarifying amendments);

H. R. 542, to exempt the employer from the withholding tax requirement in respect to noncash remuneration to retail commission salesmen provided that certain requirements are met;

H. R. 3256, to amend section 723 of the Internal Revenue Code relating to railroad corporations;

H. R. 3437, amended, provides for a maximum manufacturers' excise tax on the leases of certain automobile utility trailers;

H. R. 4731, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code concerning capital gains and losses on sale of land with unharvested crop; and

H. R. 6299, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 as it relates to unmanufactured mica and mica films and splittings.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR-HEW

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare, but did not reach final agreement and recessed subject to call.

Wednesday, July 13, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate cleared numerous bills for President, including public works appropriations and increased Government travel allowances.

House passed survivors' benefits bill.

Senate Armed Services Committee reported Reserve Forces bill.

Miscellaneous agricultural bills approved by House committee.

Conferees agreed to file report on bill extending Renegotiation Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10373–10387

Bills Introduced: 42 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2501–S. 2542; and S. Res. 132.

Pages 10379–10380, 10383

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6796, to transfer a tract of land to Clarksburg, W. Va.—reported after adjournment July 12 under prior authority (S. Rept. 833);

H. R. 4946, to amend title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act, relative to unemployment

compensation—reported after adjournment July 12 under prior authority (S. Rept. 834);

H. R. 4225, authorizing VA to convey certain property of the U. S. to the city of North Little Rock, Ark.—reported after adjournment July 12 under prior authority (S. Rept. 835);

H. R. 5792, to extend until July 16, 1956, the time within which a Korean veteran may apply for mustering-out payment—reported after adjournment July 12 under prior authority (S. Rept. 836);

H. R. 3193 and 2747, private bills (S. Repts. 837–838);

S. 2501, to amend the PHS Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis (S. Rept. 839);

H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening the Reserve Forces, with amendment (S. Rept. 840);

S. 878, extending the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation (S. Rept. 841);

H. R. 3123, recoupment of certain public-school construction costs, and expenditure of funds for cooperating with the public school board of Walker, Minn. (S. Rept. 842);

H. R. 4367, distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians, with amendment (S. Rept. 843);

S. 535, conveyance to North Dakota, for use as a State historic site of land, where Chief Sitting Bull was originally buried, with amendments (S. Rept. 844);

S. 2198, to extend the period of restrictions on lands belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma, with amendments (S. Rept. 845);

S. 1906, to authorize the Pueblos of San Lorenzo and Pojoaque in New Mexico to sell certain lands to the Navaho Tribe (S. Rept. 846);

H. R. 1801, authorizing purchase, sale, and exchange of certain Indian lands on the Yakima Indian Reservation (S. Rept. 847);

H. R. 1802, authorizing leasing of certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for historical and park purposes (S. Rept. 848);

S. 1746, continuing the Indian Claims Commission to April 10, 1962 (S. Rept. 849);

S. 2403, to authorize dual employment of custodial employees in post-office buildings operated by GSA (S. Rept. 850);

S. 1745, private bill (S. Rept. 851);

S. 2039, authorizing lease of unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Ariz., with amendments (S. Rept. 852);

S. 2280, to amend the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act to provide increased benefits in case of disabling injuries, with amendments (S. Rept. 853);

S. Res. 127, right of free peoples to self-determination (S. Rept. 854); and

H. Con. Res. 149, expressing the sense of Congress that the U. S., in its international relations, should maintain its traditional policy in opposition to colonialism and Communist imperialism, with amendment (S. Rept. 855). Pages 10372, 10378, 10416

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 10373

President's Message—Defense Appropriations: Message from President announcing his approval of H. R. 6042, defense appropriations for fiscal year 1956, was received and referred to Committee on Appropriations. The message also stated that the executive branch will regard as invalid section 638 of the bill, barring use of funds for disposal or transfer of work that has been performed by civilian personnel of the Defense Department in certain circumstances, and recommended repeal of section 630 of the bill, restricting purchase of foreign-made spun silk yarn for cartridge cloth.

Pages 10416, 10459–10460

Committee Authorizations: All standing committees were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 10390

Bills Cleared for White House: Senate cleared the following bills for the President by taking the actions indicated thereon:

By adoption of conference report thereon:

H. R. 6295, to provide an increased maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses; and

H. R. 6766, fiscal 1956 appropriations for AEC, TVA, certain agencies of Interior Department, and civil functions administered Department of Army.

By passage without amendment:

H. R. 4585, to simplify the procedures governing the mailing of certain religious publications;

H. R. 7066, to provide for conservation of anthracite coal resources through flood control and mine drainage;

H. R. 1619, relating to renewal of veterans' term insurance within 120 days after separation from service;

H. R. 6419, to redefine the terms "stepchild" and "stepparent" for the purposes of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act;

H. R. 6832, to permit lump-sum payment of attorneys' fees in suits for waiver of insurance premiums on account of total disability of veterans;

H. R. 4946, to amend title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act, relative to unemployment compensation; and

H. R. 5792, to extend until July 16, 1956, the time within which a Korean veteran may apply for mustering-out payment. Pages 10387, 10391–10410, 10414–10416

Alaskan Water Resources: Senate insisted on its amendments to H. R. 3990, authorizing Federal investigation of water resources projects in Alaska, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Jackson, Long, Bible, Kuchel, and Goldwater. Page 10410

Committee Expenditures: S. Res. 128, authorizing additional funds of $10,000 for Committee on Foreign

Relations, was taken from calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 10414

Postal Employee Bonds: Senate passed with a committee amendment (in the nature of a substitute) H. R. 4778, to provide for purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department, and mail clerks of the Armed Forces.

Pages 10413–10414

War Prisoner Insurance: Senate passed, with a committee amendment, H. R. 1617, concerning automatic waiver of insurance premiums for certain prisoners of war. Page 10415

Defense Production: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2391, extending Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years. Page 10416

Confirmations: 56 nominations in the Public Health Service and 120 postmasters were confirmed.

Pages 10428–10429

Nominations: Senate received the nomination of Marion B. Folsom, of New York, to be Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, 1 judicial nomination, 94 in the Foreign Service, 55 Army, 857 Navy, and 106 postmasters, along with 1 postmaster withdrawal.

Pages 10424–10428

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:45 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued its executive hearings on H. R. 7224, fiscal 1956 appropriations for mutual security, hearing testimony today from Special Assistant to the President Harold E. Stassen, and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Adm. Arthur W. Radford, both of whom were accompanied by their associates. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RESERVE FORCES AND NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute bill H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces. As approved by the committee, the bill would provide the following:

Reserve enlistment programs:

(1) Total of 8 years, of which 2 years would be active duty, 3 years would be active participation in Ready Reserve, 3 years would be membership in Standby Reserve, from which they could be called to active duty only after Selective Service System had determined their availability.

(2) For persons under 18½, within quotas established by secretaries, can enlist in Ready Reserve for period until they become 28. All this service is active participation in Ready Reserve.

(3) For persons under 20, within quotas established by secretaries, can enlist for 8 years, of which 3 to 6 months would be active duty for training.

There is no forced active participation in Ready Reserve for persons now serving on active duty. Persons who enlist or are inducted 30 days after this bill is enacted can be required to participate actively in Ready Reserve when they come off active duty.

Persons who enlisted in National Guard before reaching 18½ can have their liability shortened to 8 years by taking 3 months of active duty for training. These persons now must continue their membership until they become 28.

Persons who have had 18 months of active duty can enlist for 3 years in combat reserve units of Army and Marine Corps, within prescribed quotas, and receive enlistment bonus of 2 months' pay of the grade in which he enlists. This program terminates in July of 1957.

The committee also approved 365 nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

PURCHASE OF SILVER

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Federal Reserve Matters began hearings on S. 1427, to repeal legislation passed prior to 1934 which influences Treasury Department policy in purchasing silver for monetary purposes. Testimony was received today from W. Randolph Burgess, Under Secretary of the Treasury, and William McC. Martin, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. Hearings continue Monday, July 18.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported H. Con. Res. 149, expressing the sense of Congress that the U. S., in its international relations, should maintain its traditional policy in opposition to colonialism and Communist imperialism, and S. Res. 127, right of free peoples to self-determination.

Committee tabled S. Res. 126, withdrawal of U. S. recognition of certain governments.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Committee, in executive session, requested its Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations to file its report on Army personnel actions relating to Irving Peress.

Committee also adopted a resolution requesting the Secretary of the Treasury to make available for inspection by this committee or its subcommittee, or by designated agents, Federal tax returns and other related documents in the files of the Internal Revenue Service with regard to certain persons, firms, or corporations involved in the investigation of textile procurement by the military services now being conducted by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Reorganization held hearings on S. 2367, relating to authority of GSA Administrator with respect to utilization and disposal of excess and surplus Government

property under the control of executive agencies. Testimony was heard from Gerald S. Wise, Executive Director, Hoover Commission, and Task Force on Surplus Property, Baltimore; Maxwell H. Elliott, General Counsel, GSA; and Percival F. Brundage, Deputy Director, Bureau of the Budget, all of whom testified generally in favor of this proposed legislation.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee met in executive session, following which it announced that it had:

Ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 218, for the relief of the town of Clayton, N. Mex., to compel payment of CAA's share of a certain airport project;

Approved the nomination of Paul A. Smith to be a commissioned rear admiral on the retired list of the Coast and Geodetic Survey;

Agreed that hearings will be held by the Aviation Subcommittee early next week on airport facilities for the Washington, D. C., area;

Appointed a special subcommittee (Senators Magnuson, chairman, Monroney, and Schoeppel) to study the current boxcar shortage;

Appointed a special subcommittee (Senators Smathers, chairman, Bible, and Bricker) to make a full investigation into the negotiations and signing of international air route agreements such as the recently approved German Airline Agreement awarding certain air rights to the Lufthansa Airline; and

Agreed that at its executive session next Wednesday, July 20, it would vote on the nominations of John A. Hall, of California, to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC, and William C. Kern, of Indiana, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, and would consider majority and minority reports on S. 1853, the natural-gas bill.

Prior to approval of S. 218, the Aviation Subcommittee approved this bill for full committee action.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings regarding the Dixon-Yates power contract, hearing further testimony from J. Sinclair Armstrong, Chairman, who was accompanied by Orval L. DuBois, Secretary, and other officials of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

In an afternoon session, the subcommittee heard further testimony from Adolphe R. Wenzell, formerly vice president of the First Boston Corp. of New York and presently with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Hearings continue Monday, July 18.

NARCOTIC PROBLEMS IN THE D. C.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Narcotics continued its hearings into problems of narcotic traffic in the D. C. Witnesses heard today were Capt. Todd O. Thoman, Jr., Chief, and Detective Sgt. Joseph Gabrys, both of the Narcotic Squad of the Metropolitan Police Department; a Miss X, an unidentified witness and narcotic addict; Alfred Burka, an assistant U. S. attorney; and Frank Franzoni, a D. C. pharmacist. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RECRUITING FOR ESPIONAGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Following up testimony given 2 weeks ago by Winston Burdett and others, Internal Security Subcommittee today heard testimony from the following witnesses:

Melvin Barnett, an employee of the New York Times, who stated that he has not been a Communist since 1942, but declined to answer questions relating to his Communist activities prior to that date;

David Gordon, of the New York Daily News, who stated that he had not been a Communist for 12 years, but declined to answer questions relating to any Communist activities prior to 12 years ago;

Charles Lewis, public affairs director of WCAX-TV, Burlington, Vt., who stated that he had been a Communist for several months in the late 1930's while employed on the Brooklyn Eagle, but that he severed relations shortly thereafter; he stated that later he was with the Office of War Information, and then was in charge, for the U. S. Military Government of Germany, of radio station RIAS, the primary German outlet of American information at the time;

Col. William F. Heimlich, a D. C. businessman, and formerly director of radio station RIAS for 2 years, testified that he and other anti-Communists were fired by Charles Lewis; and

Amos Landman, of New York City, who testified as to a statement he made in public regarding taking the fifth amendment to protect himself.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Railroad Retirement, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. R. 4744, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937 and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act with regard to annuities.

NIAGARA POWER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors held hearings on S. 6 and S. 1823, bills to authorize construction of certain works of improvement on the Niagara River for power, with testimony favoring S. 1823 from Senator Lehman; Representatives Davidson and Radwan; Judge Daniel Gutman, counsel to Governor of New York; Leland Olds; Mariano A. Lucca, editor, Buffalo Beacon; and R. P. Luse and William Stuckey, both of the Ohio Rural

Electric Cooperative, North Baltimore, Ohio. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Also, subcommittee concluded its hearings on H. R. 4362, to amend the act authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control, with favoring testimony from Arthur C. Perry, administrative assistant to Senator Johnson (Texas); Jake Jacobsen, administrative assistant to Senator Daniel; and Roy Matthias, of the Red River Valley Association.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 71 public bills, H. R. 7300–7370; 8 private bills, H. R. 7371–7378; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 384–386, and H. Con. Res. 190, were introduced.

Pages 10471–10472

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 1160 and 1161);

S. 1577, to enable the State of Connecticut to proceed with its program of highway modernization (H. Rept. 1162);

H. R. 4718, a private bill (H. Rept. 1163);

S. 1391, relating to a compact between California and Nevada regarding waters of Truckee, Carson, and Walker Rivers, and Lake Tahoe (H. Rept. 1164);

H. R. 3120, rehabilitation and preservation of the Nation's important historic properties in the New York City area (H. Rept. 1165);

H. R. 4391, abolishing the Castle Pinckney National Monument in the State of South Carolina (H. Rept. 1166);

H. R. 7097, reconveyance of oil and gas and mineral interests in lands acquired for Demopolis lock and dam project to the former owners thereof (H. Rept. 1167);

H. R. 7186, providing for review and determination of claims for return of lands in Territory of Hawaii, conveyed to the Government during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry (H. Rept. 1168);

S. 72, inclusion of lands in the Lincoln National Forest (H. Rept. 1169);

H. R. 374, land title clarification within Stanislaus National Forest, Calif. (H. Rept. 1170);

H. R. 426, to provide for the establishment of townsites in national forests, amended (H. Rept. 1171);

H. R. 604, providing for port of entry and related facilities on the Alaska Highway at the Alaska-Canadian border in the Territory of Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 1172);

H. R. 1855, to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service relating to forest research (H. Rept. 1173); and

H. Con. Res. 127, relative to inviting Spain to become a member of NATO (H. Rept. 1174). Pages 10470–10471

Boston Historic Sites: Representative O'Neill was today appointed to membership on the Boston National Historic Sites Commission, on the part of the House.

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Public Works Appropriations: By a record vote of 315 yeas to 92 nays the House adopted the conference report on H. R. 6766, making appropriations for the AEC, TVA, certain agencies of the Department of the Interior, and civil functions administered by the Department of the Army, and sent the bill to the Senate. Amendments Nos. 14, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 31 were in disagreement and on which the House voted to recede and concur. Pages 10434–10435

Rights-of-Way Acquisitions: Adopted the conference report on and sent S. 1464, to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber-access roads, to the Senate.

Pages 10435–10436

Postal Investigations: Adopted H. Res. 304, to authorize the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service to conduct investigations and studies with respect to certain matters within its jurisdiction. Page 10436

Resolutions Re-Referred: The Committee on Foreign Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H. J. Res. 264, 265, 268, and 272, all resolutions dealing with improving the relations of the United States with Western Germany and Japan, and the resolutions were re-referred to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Page 10440

Survivors' Benefits: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 7089, to provide benefits for the survivors of servicemen and veterans, after a motion to recommit the bill had been rejected by a voice vote. Two committee amendments were adopted.

H. Res. 295, the rule for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted earlier by a record vote of 376 yeas to 24 nays. Pages 10436–10456

NATO Parliamentary Conference: Representative Udall was appointed to fill the vacancy in the delegation to attend the North Atlantic Treaty Organizations Parliamentary Conference. The vacancy was caused by resignation of Representative Smith of Mississippi from the delegation. Page 10457

President's Message—Defense Appropriations: Received a message from the President announcing his signing of H. R. 6042, the Department of Defense appropriation bill for 1956, and his disapproval of certain sections thereof. The message was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 218). Pages 10459–10460

Emergency Farm Aid: H. R. 4915, extending the period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen, was cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to a Senate amendment thereto. Page 10465

Bill Referred: S. 1835, to amend the D. C. Unemployment Compensation Act, was referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia. Page 10470

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:39 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FORESTS—COMMODITIES—SOIL CONSERVATION

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 374, adjusting ownership to certain lands within the Stanislaus National Forest, Tuolumne County, Calif.;

H. R. 426, amended, to provide for the establishment of townsites from national forest land administered under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act;

H. R. 1855, amended, to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service, relating to forest research;

H. R. 4054, to provide a system of mortgage insurance to municipal and other political subdivisions of the States, to be administered by the Department of Agriculture, for the expansion of public marketing of perishable commodities;

H. R. 5337, amended, to broaden the provisions of law relating to practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act;

H. R. 6815, to provide for the orderly disposition of property acquired under title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act;

H. R. 7236, to amend section 8 (b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act with respect to water conservation practices;

H. J. Res. 112, to release reversionary right to improvements on a 3-acre tract in Orangeburg County, S. C.; and

S. 72, providing that certain lands acquired by U. S. shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands.

RESERVE OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 6725, to provide a lump-sum readjustment payment for Reserve officers who are involuntarily released from active duty; and H. R. 5738, authorizing flight instruction during Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs. Witnesses heard on these proposals were Carter L. Burgess, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Personnel); Maj. Gen. Donald P. Booth, Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1; and Col. C. M. Boyer, executive director, Reserve Officers Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

AIR FORCE PROJECTS

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee approved certain Air Force real-estate projects today along with various classified construction projects. Will meet tomorrow on Navy projects.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 7071, to extend the Defense Act of 1950. Meeting with the committee were Joseph Campbell, Comptroller General; and Arthur S. Flemming, Director of the Office of Defense Mobilization. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will hold hearing on H. R. 6228 and 6229, U. S. participation in the International Finance Corporation.

SMALL LOANS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Klein subcommittee held a public hearing on H. R. 114, to require that licenses be obtained from the D. C. Commissioners by persons engaged in making loans of $600 or less, and to establish other regulatory requirements. Opposition to the proposal was presented by representatives of loan organizations from Maryland and Virginia. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued executive consideration of H. R. 7152, to authorize Federal assistance to States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms. Will resume on same subject tomorrow morning.

STATUS OF FORCES TREATY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Began open hearings on H. Con. Res. 309, and related resolutions on the Status of Forces Treaty, and received testimony from the following Members of Congress—Representatives Bow, Gross, Lanham, Becker, McDonough, and Dorn of South Carolina. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Ordered reported to the House, with an amendment, S. 2237, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department.

REAL PROPERTY TAXES

Committee on Government Operations: Began hearings on H. R. 6182, relating to RFC property transfers,

and other similar bills; and H. R. 1781, to provide for payment of taxes or payments in lieu of taxes with respect to real property transferred from Government corporations to other agencies of the Federal Government. Testimony was received today from Representative Meader, author of H. R. 6182; Representative Derounian, author of H. R. 1781; Representative Donohue, author of H. R. 7184; Representative Philbin, author of H. R. 7191; and Representative Cole. Also heard on the proposals were officials of the Federal Bureau of the Budget and General Services Administration, and representatives of various city and municipal governments. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

HELLS CANYON DAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee resumed hearings today on H. R. 4719, 4730, 4739, and 4740, bills which would authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Hells Canyon Dam on the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon. The following officials of the Bureau of Reclamation from Denver, Colo., who testified at Monday's session, were questioned today—L. G. Puls, head of Concrete Dams Design Section; C. I. Hoisington, Chief of Estimates and Analysis Branch, Construction Division; and J. R. Riter, Chief Development Engineer, Commissioners Office. Other witnesses questioned were Earl D. Ostrander, director of administrative management, Bonneville Power Administration, Portland, Oreg., Elwyn L. White, area engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, Boise, Idaho; and Lynn Crandall, district engineer of U. S. Geological Survey (Idaho Falls) and Snake River watermaster. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

TREBLE DAMAGES

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems heard testimony today on H. R. 6875, to amend the Clayton Act to allow the courts discretion in awarding damages. Witnesses testifying were Representatives Multer and Patman; H. Graham Morison, attorney, Washington, D. C.; Adolph Schimmel, representing the Motion Picture Association; Henry Bison, National Association of Retail Grocers; and R. H. Rowe, Retail Druggists Association.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 heard authors of bills relating to civil rights, as follows—Representative Celler (H. R. 258, 259, 627, and 628); Representative Powell (H. R. 389); and Representative Roosevelt (H. R. 3472, 3474, 3475, 3476, 3478, 3480, and 3481). Statements for the record were filed by Representatives Rodino and Anfuso, authors of H. R. 702 and 5503, respectively.

CLAIMS—TEXAS CITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported to the full committee S. 1077, amended, the Texas City Claims Act.

Also reported adversely on 2 private claim bills (1 of the House and 1 of the Senate).

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Joseph Curran, president of the National Maritime Union, testified today in connection with the committee's study of national maritime labor-management problems. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

EDUCATIONAL MAIL READJUSTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Robeson (Virginia) subcommittee completed a hearing today on H. R. 5139 and 5142, to adjust postal classification rates on educational and cultural materials. Testimony was received from Albert J. Robertson, Assistant Postmaster General (Bureau of Finance); Abe McGregor Goff, Solicitor, Post Office Department; William B. Henderson, executive vice president, Parcel Post Association; Francis R. Cawley, vice president, Magazine Publishers Association; John Lorenz, assistant State librarian, Michigan State Library, representing the American Library Association and other library associations; Dr. Arthur Traxler, Education Records Bureau, and Prof. Thomas Hastings, University of Illinois, representing the State Testing Leaders Conference and other educational associations; Richard C. Berg, president of the Eastern Music Educators Conference, representing the Music Educators National Conference; Richard Van Sciver, minister of music, First Methodist Church, Charlotte, N. C., representing the American Guild of Organists; I. C. Boerlin, Pennsylvania State University, representing the department of audio-visual education of NEA; Lenard Kaufman, representing the Authors League; Dan Lacy, managing director of the American Book Publishers Council, representing the council and the American Textbook Publishers Institute; and Milo Sutliff, Greystone Press, New York City.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Held executive consideration of H. R. 7072, Federal-aid highway construction bill, completed action on sections 1, 2, 3, and 5, and will meet tomorrow on section 4, the tax section of the bill.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, a rule waiving points of order against certain provisions of H. R. 7278, making appropriations to supply certain regular and supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1956. Representative Rabaut urged favorable consideration of the rule request, while opposition testimony was presented by Representatives Taber, Phillips, Davis of

Wisconsin, and Teague of Texas. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will consider a rule on H. R. 7214, to increase the national hourly minimum wage standards.

COMMUNISM

Committee on Un-American Activities: Interrogated Walter Barry, formerly associated with the March of Labor, regarding editorial functions of said publication. The witness refused to answer the committee's questions, invoking his constitutional rights under the fifth amendment.

AGENDA

Committee on Ways and Means: Considered pending bills introduced by members of the committee today, and will continue on same subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

CANCELLATION OF DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee held open and executive sessions on the subject of the recent cancellation of the Dixon-Yates power contract.

RENEGOTIATION

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years. House conferees agreed to Senate amendments with an amendment providing that contracts exempt from renegotiation under section 106 (a) (8) for standard commercial services and for standard commercial articles would also be exempt from application of the Vinson-Trammell Act and the Merchant Marine Act of 1936.

GIFT IMPORTATION

Conferees on H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad, met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach agreement and recessed subject to call.

Thursday, July 14, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed by 80 to 1 bill strengthening Reserve Forces, and unanimously adopted two resolutions on self-determination of free peoples.

House passed supplemental appropriation bill.

Bill to amend the Federal Airport Act approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10493–10499

Bills Introduced: 12 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2544–S. 2555; S. J. Res. 90; S. Con. Res. 48; and S. Res. 133 to S. Res. 135.

Pages 10495–10497

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report of Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Army Personnel Actions Relating to Irving Peress," with individual views (S. Rept. 856);

H. R. 4808, to authorize transmission through the mail of certain keys, identification devices, and small articles, with amendments (S. Rept. 857);

S. 1352 and S. 1584, private bills (S. Repts. 858 and 859);

H. R. 65, to adjust boundary between second and fourth judicial districts in Alaska (S. Rept. 860);

H. R. 6331, relating to sale or lease of certain shorelands and tidelands in Hawaii (S. Rept. 861);

H. R. 6059, the Philippine Trade Agreement Revision Act of 1955 (S. Rept. 862);

S. Res. 121, directing the U. S. Tariff Commission to make an investigation of the effects of the tariff agreements entered into at the GATT Conference at Geneva, with amendments (S. Rept. 863);

H. R. 2406, to exempt from taxation property transferred to the U. S. or D. C. for public or municipal purpose (S. Rept. 864);

S. 2427, authorizing overtime compensation for officers and members of Metropolitan Police Force, with amendment (S. Rept. 865);

S. 2428, to increase the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police Force, Fire Department

of the D. C., U. S. Park Police, and White House Police (S. Rept. 866);

S. 985, to establish an Alaska International Rail and Highway Commission (S. Rept. 867);

S. Res. 134, relative to establishment by U. N. of a procedure for collecting and releasing radiological information (S. Rept. 868);

S. 849, Medical Research Act of 1955, with amendments (S. Rept. 869);

H. J. Res. 256, providing for an analysis and revaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness (S. Rept. 870);

H. R. 3253, to provide for continued operation of certain schools on military installations, with amendments (S. Rept. 871); and

S. Res. 135, citing Eugene C. James for contempt of Senate (S. Rept. 872). Pages 10495–10496

Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee. Page 10492

President's Message—Supplemental Appropriations: Seven proposed supplemental appropriations were submitted by the President, which were referred to Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed as Senate documents, as follows:

For legislative branch, fiscal year 1955, in the amount of $155,835 (S. Doc. 61);

For Department of State, fiscal year 1956, in the amount of $2.5 million (S. Doc. 62);

For Department of Labor, fiscal year 1956, in the amount of $1,350,000 (S. Doc. 63);

For Department of Interior, fiscal 1956, in the amount of $2,198,000 (S. Doc. 64);

For Office of Defense Mobilization, fiscal year 1956, in the amount of $500,000 (S. Doc. 65);

For National Capital Park and Planning Commission, fiscal year 1956, in the amount of $57,000 (S. Doc. 66); and

For Independent Offices (including a proposed revision), fiscal year 1956, in the amount of $80,000 (S. Doc. 67). Page 10493

Private Bill: Senate adopted S. Con. Res. 48, authorizing Secretary of Senate to make certain correction in the enrollment of S. 633, a private bill. Also, in this connection, Senate rescinded its earlier action of today in adopting a concurrent resolution of this same number which would have requested President to return to the Senate S. 633, a private bill. Pages 10497–10498

Self-Determination of Peoples: By unanimous vote of 89 yeas, Senate adopted S. Res. 127, right of free peoples to self-determination. Pages 10499–10502

Colonialism and Communist Imperialism: By vote of 88 yeas, no nays, and 1 voting "present," Senate adopted H. Con. Res. 149, expressing the sense of Congress that the U. S., in its international relations, should maintain its traditional policy in opposition to colonialism and Communist imperialism, after agreeing to committee amendment and an amendment by Senator Mundt, recommending that U. S. support "other peoples in their efforts to achieve *self-determination* or independence under circumstances which will enable them to *assume and maintain* an equal station among the free nations of the world," in place of the language of the resolution, as reported, recommending that U. S. support "other peoples in their efforts to achieve *self-government* or independence under circumstances which will enable them to *assume* an equal station among the free nations of the world." [Italics supplied for contrast.] Pages 10502–10507

Oil and Gas Compact: Senate concurred in House amendment to S. J. Res. 38, consenting to interstate compact to conserve oil and gas, clearing bill for President. Page 10507

Timber Roads: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President S. 1464, to acquire certain rights-of-way and timber-access roads. Pages 10507–10508

Reserve Forces: By vote of 80 yeas to 1 nay (with 2 Senators voting "present"), Senate passed with amendments H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces, after taking the following actions on amendments thereto:

Adopted: Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute for the bill, as amended; Case amendment (to committee substitute) requiring within 60 days submission by National Security Training Commission to Secretary of Defense of program of recommendations for personal safety, health, welfare, and morals of members of Ready Reserve, including regulations governing alcoholic beverages at training centers; and Morse amendment (to committee substitute) providing that graduates of the Air Force Officers Candidate School shall receive the same consideration as graduates of ROTC; and

Rejected: By 14 yeas to 70 nays, Jenner amendment barring service of any member of Armed Forces, including its Reserve components, at installation in any foreign country with which U. S. has treaty or agreement authorizing criminal jurisdiction by such country over such personnel; and Langer amendment establishing new scale of income taxes for incomes over $20,000 (by division vote on question of whether Knowland point of order on constitutional grounds should be sustained).

Senate insisted on its amendments, requested conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Russell, Byrd, Stennis, Saltonstall, and Bridges. Pages 10508–10542

Defense Production: Senate resumed consideration of S. 2391, extending Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years, this bill having been temporarily put aside earlier in the day for the consideration of H. R. 7000, Reserve Forces bill. Page 10507

Confirmations: One civilian nomination was confirmed, along with numerous nominations in the Army, the Navy, and one in the Air Force. Page 10570

Nominations: The nominations received by the Senate were: Simon E. Sobeloff, of Maryland, to be U. S. circuit judge for the fourth circuit; H. Chapman Rose, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary of Treasury; 21 in the Army; and 1 postmaster withdrawal. Pages 10569–10570

Adjournment: Adjourned at 9:22 p. m.

Committee Meetings

CCC COMMODITIES, AND FARM CREDIT ACT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of S. 661, to authorize the CCC to process food commodities for donation under certain acts, and S. 1286, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration, but took no final actions and recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued its executive hearings on H. R. 7224, fiscal 1956 appropriations for mutual security, hearing testimony from Assistant Secretary of Defense W. J. McNeil, Markley Shaw and Gen. James K. Wilson, both of the Office of International Security Affairs, Defense Department, Office of the Secretary of Defense, and Norman Paul, Deputy Director of the International Cooperation Administration. Hearings continue tomorrow.

BANK HOLDING COMPANY LEGISLATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking concluded its hearings on S. 880 and H. R. 6227, to provide for the control and regulation of bank holding companies, and S. 2350, to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests. Testimony generally favoring the proposed legislation was heard from Representative Multer. Testimony in opposition to the bills was heard from Frank N. Belgrano, president and chairman of the board of the TransAmerica Corp., California; and Horace W. Brower and Warren A. Harlan, both of California; Thomas F. Sandoz, C. B. Stephenson, and Carl Schram, all of Oregon; Floyd Newcomer and E. V. O'Malley, both of Arizona; Leo Schmitt and J. H. McBeath, both of Nevada; and A. H. Heath, of Washington, all representing TransAmerica Corp., California.

Subcommittee will meet in executive session to consider this proposed legislation on Tuesday, July 19.

D. C. POLICEMEN AND FIREMEN, AND PROPERTY

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 2406, to exempt from taxation property transferred to the U. S. or D. C. for public or municipal purpose; with an amendment S. 2427, authorizing overtime compensation for officers and members of Metropolitan Police Force, U. S. Park Police, White House Police, and Fire Department of the D. C.; and with amendments S. 2428, to increase the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police Force, Fire Department of the D. C., U. S. Park Police, and White House Police.

PHILIPPINE TRADE AGREEMENTS, AND TARIFF AGREEMENTS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 6059, the Philippine Trade Agreement Revision Act of 1955, and with amendments S. Res. 121, directing the U. S. Tariff Commission to make an investigation of the effects of the tariff agreements entered into at the GATT Conference at Geneva.

TRINITY RIVER DIVISION OF CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on H. R. 4663, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws, and on the Trinity division section only of S. 178, a related bill. Testifying in favor of H. R. 4663 were Senators Knowland and Kuchel; Representatives Engle, Sisk, and Scudder; Assistant Secretary Fred G. Aandahl, Commissioner of Reclamation W. A. Dexheimer, Regional Director Clyde H. Spencer, Sacramento, and Planning Engineer Norman Murray, Sacramento, all of the Interior Department; Frank B. Durkee, director of public works, California; State Senator Edwin J. Regan, of Trinity County, Calif.; Mayor George C. Flaherty, of Redding, Calif.; Lawrence Carr, Redding Chamber of Commerce; Barron Lyons, California Farm Research and Legislative Committee; Albert Henley and Thad C. Binkley, engineer, both of Santa Clara Valley Water Conservation District, California; and Robert H. Gerdes, vice president and general counsel, Pacific Gas & Electric Co., San Francisco. Mr. Gerdes and William Jackman, of New York City, favored the construction of the power facility by the Pacific Gas & Electric Co.

MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, agreed to vote, at its executive session on Wednesday, July 20, on S. 2523, construction of an atomic-powered ship. The committee considered, but deferred further action, until the next session of Congress, on S. 1119, the omnibus aviation bill.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee continued its current series of hearings, having as its witness Ansel Talbert, aviation editor of the New York Herald Tribune, who testified generally with regard to security regulations to prevent premature disclosure of information concerning the first F-86 sabre jet missions in the Korean conflict; and Ira Henry Freeman, of the New York Times, who stated that he was a member of the Communist Party for a few months in the years 1938–39, and that he broke off such affiliation in early 1939. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NARCOTIC PROBLEMS IN THE D. C.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Narcotics continued its hearings into the problem of narcotics in the D. C., with testimony from Audie Murphy, hero of World War II and a movie actor; Harold C. Kinner, secretary of the D. C. Board of Pharmacy; and Dr. Harry Friedenberg, of Washington, D. C. Hearings continue tomorrow.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program continued its hearings, with testimony regarding the security program of the Small Business Administration. Witnesses heard were Mrs. Ruby Sagins, of Arlington, Va.; Alice Cooney, former employee of the SBA; W. A. Faucette, Durham, N. C.; Gerald J. Sophar and Mrs. Ingrid Sophar, both of Washington, D. C.; and Nehemiah Silver, an investigator for the SBA. Hearings continue Friday, July 22.

NIAGARA RIVER POWER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Works: Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors Subcommittee continued its hearings on Niagara River power development bills. Testifying in favor of S. 6, development of power on Niagara River by private enterprise, were Senator Capehart; Andrew J. McMahon, Utility Workers Union CIO local, New York; Robert W. MacGregor, New York State Association of Electrical Workers, AFL; Douglas Hewitt, Associated Industries of New York; and Leland Smith, New York State Grange. Testifying in favor of S. 1823, development of power on Niagara River by the New York Power Authority, were Jack Curren, CIO; Robert Kabat, National Rural Electric Cooperative; Angus MacDonald, National Farmers Union; Alex Radin, American Public Power Association; and William C. Wenner, Cambridge, Pa., Rural Electric Cooperative.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H. R. 7379–7396; 18 private bills, H. R. 7397–7414; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 387 and H. Con. Res. 191, were introduced.

Pages 10633–10634

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 7205, extending for 3 years the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad (H. Rept. 1175);

S. 847, authorizing the construction of two survey ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey (H. Rept. 1176);

H. R. 5889, conveyance of certain lands of the United States to the town of Savannah Beach, Tybee Island, Ga. (H. Rept. 1177);

H. R. 6743, authorizing the construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey (H. Rept. 1178);

H. R. 3675, conveyance by quitclaim deed of certain land to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex. (H. Rept. 1179);

H. R. 5469, to extend the authority of the Corregidor Bataan Memorial Commission (H. Rept. 1180);

H. R. 5894, to amend the act providing for membership and participation by the United States in the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization to provide for the acceptance of gifts, amended (H. Rept. 1181);

S. J. Res. 12, requesting the Secretary of State to arrange for the International Joint Commission, United States and Canada, to conduct a survey of the proposed Passamaquoddy tidal power project, amended (H. Rept. 1182);

S. 1138, providing for defense industrial construction (H. Rept. 1183);

S. 2171, relating to terms of Subversive Activities Control Board members (H. Rept. 1184);

H. R. 7218, to extend the period of restrictions on lands belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes in Oklahoma, amended (H. Rept. 1185);

H. R. 7126, to provide grants to assist States to meet the cost of poliomyelitis vaccination programs, amended (H. Rept. 1186);

H. J. Res. 386, reaffirming the rights of the people of the world to freedom of religion (H. Rept. 1187);

Conference report on H. R. 4904, extension of Renegotiation Act of 1951 (H. Rept. 1188); and

H. R. 7225, social security amendments of 1955 (H. Rept. 1189). Page 10633

Supplemental Appropriations: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 1956, after a motion to recommit the bill had been rejected by a voice vote.

Adopted two amendments, one of which increases by $25 million the funds allocated the Atomic Energy Commission, while the other earmarks funds for the construction of a community hospital at Oak Ridge, Tenn.

Numerous items were deleted from the bill due to points of order being made and sustained against them.

As the bill came from the Committee on Appropriations it provided appropriations totaling $1,648,876,128, or $278,909,740 less than the budget estimates of $1,927,785,868. Pages 10572–10625

Private Bill: Adopted S. Con. Res. 48, authorizing the correction of an error in the enrollment of S. 633, a private bill. Page 10625

War Prisoner Insurance: H. R. 1617, concerning automatic waiver of insurance premiums for certain prisoners of war, was cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to a Senate amendment thereto. Page 10625

NATO Membership: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. Con. Res. 127, relative to inviting Spain to become a member of NATO. Pages 10625–10626

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:07 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Ezra Taft Benson, Secretary of Agriculture, requested enactment of new sugar legislation this year. Testifying today in connection with the committee's current series of sugar hearings, he proposed various revisions to the present sugar laws, and endorsed the proposals embodied in H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948. He stated that this measure constitutes a reasonable balance of the conflicting objectives of the various domestic and foreign areas supplying the sugar market.

TOBACCO

Committee on Agriculture: The Abbitt subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 7090, proposing that tobacco growers vote on quotas for 3-year periods; and H. R. 6847 and 6846, amending the Agricultural Act regarding tobacco allotments. Witnesses heard on these subjects were Clarence L. Miller, Director, Tobacco Division, Commodity Stabilization Service; Flake Shaw, American Farm Bureau Federation (North Carolina); Virginia State Senator Moses; Fred Royster, Henderson, N. C.; Francis W. Hill, of Maryland; Randolph Raylor, executive secretary, Burley and Dark Leaf Tobacco Export Association; John B. Morsell, president, Maryland Tobacco Corp.; John C. Ward, past president, Southern Maryland Farm Bureau; Dr. G. M. Beal, agricultural economist, University of Maryland; Dudley Smith, president, Southern Maryland Farm Bureau; C. Ralph McNamara, Bryantown, Md.; and T. B. Hall, of Buckingham, Va. Representative Lankford introduced the witnesses from the State of Maryland.

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: The Gathings subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 7252, to permit sale of Commodity Credit Corporation stock of basic and storable nonbasic agricultural commodities without restriction where similar commodities are exported in raw or processed form. Testifying on the proposal were Representative Hagen, of California; F. Marion Rhodes, Director, Cotton Division, Commodity Stabilization Service; and two members of the Secretary's Advisory Council on Cotton—J. R. Flautt, producer, Swan Lake, Miss.; and Sid Y. West, exporter, of Memphis, Tenn.

RESERVE OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 6725, to provide a lump-sum readjustment payment for Reserve officers who are involuntarily released from active duty. A representative of the Department of the Army answered committee interrogation on the subject.

Also heard further testimony on H. R. 5738, authorizing flight instruction during Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs. Witnesses appearing were Maj. Gen. Richard H. Carmichael, Department of the Air Force; and F. B. Lee, Civil Aeronautical Administrator. Recessed on this measure until tomorrow morning.

NAVAL REAL-ESTATE PROJECTS

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee considered pending naval acquisition and disposal projects today. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to consider various Army real-estate proposals.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Held a hearing on H. R. 6228 and 6229, providing for United States participation in the International Finance Corporation. Today's witnesses, urging the proposed participation, were John C. Lynn, legislative director, American Farm Bureau Federation; Henry Tenenbaum, chairman of the special committee on the International

Finance Corporation of the world trade committee, Washington (D. C.) Board of Trade; and George L. Bell, executive vice chairman, Committee for a National Trade Policy. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

POLICE AND FIREMEN

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee a clean bill to be introduced to supersede H. R. 2601, to provide payment of compensation to members of the D. C. Police and Fire Departments, the White House Police, and the United States Park Police, for duty performed on their days off, when such days off are suspended during an emergency. Officials of the various police forces and fire departments testified in connection with the proposal.

DRIVING LESSONS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 7061, to authorize borrowing of motor vehicles for use in a motor-vehicle driver education and training course in D. C. public schools. Testifying on the proposal were Representative Hyde (author of the bill), along with officials of the D. C. Government and its educational system, and representatives of automobile associations.

SMALL LOANS

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Klein subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 6775, as amended, to require that licenses be obtained from the D. C. Commissioners by persons engaged in making loans of $600 or less, and to regulate the pawnbroking business. Opposition to this proposal was presented today by representatives of loan organizations from nearby States.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Met for further executive consideration of H. R. 7152, to authorize Federal assistance to States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms. Will continue on same subject tomorrow morning.

STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Resumed public hearings on H. J. Res. 309, and similar resolutions, providing for revision of the Status of Forces Agreement so that foreign countries will not have criminal jurisdiction over American Armed Forces personnel stationed within their boundaries. Witnesses heard at this session were Representative Johansen, of Michigan; Miles Kennedy, director of the national legislative commission, the American Legion; Adin M. Downer, assistant legislative representative, VFW; Eugene C. Pomeroy, vice president, Defenders of American Constitution; Gen. Merritt B. Curtis, American Coalition; and Mrs. Ernest Howard, Women's Patriotic Conference.

MAAG

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in afternoon executive session today to hear Maj. Gen. William G. Chase, former Chief of Military Assistance Advisory Group (MAAG), Formosa.

REAL PROPERTY TAXES

Committee on Government Operations: Continued hearings on H. R. 6182, relating to RFC property transfers, and other similar bills; and H. R. 1781, to provide for payment of taxes or payments in lieu of taxes with respect to real property transferred from Government corporations to other agencies of the Federal Government. Today's witnesses were Representatives Clark, Wilson of California, and Macdonald; Philip J. Crowley, mayor of Everett, Mass.; Ralph R. White, city councilman, Newcastle, Pa.; Jack L. Stempler, Assistant General Counsel, Department of Defense; Owen Kane, Legislative Director, General Accounting Office; and three representatives from the General Services Administration, as follows—Fred S. Poorman, Deputy Commissioner, Public Buildings Service; Julius Silverstein, Office of the General Counsel; and Thomas L. Peyton, Director of the Real Property Division, Public Building Service. Statements for the record were submitted on behalf of various municipal officials.

It was announced that further information has been requested from Federal departments for future committee consideration.

TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Government Operations: The McCormack subcommittee held a hearing on H. R. 6854, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act (relating to transportation). Testimony was received from the following—Representative Holifield, author of the bill; Robert Keller, General Counsel, General Accounting Office; and the following members of the Hoover Commission: Perry M. Shoemaker, president of the Lackawanna Railroad; J. Richard Staley, vice president, Quaker Oats Co.; and Clarence D. Bean. Officials of the Department of Agriculture, who also testified, were Martin J. Hudtloff, Director of Transportation and Warehousing Division; accompanied by Walter Mattson and J. L. Pease. Other departmental witnesses were J. F. Perrin, Office of General Counsel, Office of the Secretary of Defense; and Thomas Kennedy, General Counsel, General Services Administration, who was accompanied by Frank L. Barton and W. J. Hudson. Recessed until Wednesday, July 20.

HOUSE EMPLOYEES—PRINTING

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following measures reported to the House—

A bill (to be introduced) to equalize and adjust the pay schedule of certain House employees;

H. Res. 306, authorizing appropriations of $65,000 for expenses of H. Res. 262, to make inquiry into Federal printing and binding;

H. Con. Res. 190, amended, authorizing the printing as a House document of the manuscript entitled "The House of Representatives"; and

H. Con. Res. 161, providing for the printing of the song, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, as a House document.

HELLS CANYON DAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee heard mixed testimony today on H. R. 4719, 4730, 4739, and 4740, bills which would authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Hells Canyon Dam on the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon. Proponent witnesses were Mrs. A. A. Speel, farm operator; and Asher B. Wilson, farmer and attorney, Twin Falls, Idaho; while opposition testimony was presented by R. P. Barry, Twin Falls, counsel for the Idaho Power Co.; and Holland H. Houston, consulting engineer, Olympia, Wash. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FEDERAL AIRPORTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Ordered reported to the House, with amendments, S. 1855, a bill amending the Federal Airport Act. Prior to this action the Subcommittee on Transportation and Communications, which also approved the bill today, heard the following witnesses—Representatives Cramer, Diggs, Bentley, Blatnik, Hagen, and Heselton; and John F. Floberg, representing the Conference of Local Airlines, Washington, D. C.

AUTOMOBILES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce and Finance held executive consideration of H. R. 528, "phantom" freight on automobiles; H. R. 2688, automobile bootlegging; and H. R. 6544, re exclusive distribution and sales areas (amending the Federal Trade Commission Act). Announced that further public hearings on these subjects will be scheduled at a later date.

IMMIGRATION—JUDICIAL PROCEDURE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 5061, amended, to establish a Commission to be known as the Attorney General's Commission on International Rules of Judicial Procedure; and H. R. 6888, amended, to amend the act of 1954 relating to special nonquota immigration visas, and to facilitate the entry of skilled specialists chargeable to the quota for Spain; S. Con. Res. 42, amended, favoring the suspension of deportation in the case of certain aliens; and 56 private immigration bills (16 of the House and 40 of the Senate).

Also reported adversely on 18 other private immigration bills (8 of the House and 10 of the Senate).

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 continued hearings on pending legislation relating to civil rights. Albert M. Cole, Administrator of the Housing and Home Finance Agency, testified today on H. R. 5389. Representative Davidson spoke on seven miscellaneous bills which he has introduced—H. R. 3418, 3419, 3420, 3421, 3422, 3423, and 3575. Representative O'Hara of Illinois discussed H. R. 3688, of which he is the author; and Representative Vanik made a general statement on the subject of civil rights. Subcommittee is scheduled to resume hearings on these proposals, Wednesday, July 27.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Heard further testimony at today's hearings in connection with its current study of national maritime labor-management problems. The witnesses were Capt. John M. Bishop, secretary-treasurer, and C. S. May, first vice president, of the International Organization of Masters, Mates, and Pilots (AFL); and Chester C. Thompson, president, American Waterway Operators, Inc. Recessed on this subject until Monday (July 18), when the scheduled witness will be Harry Bridges, longshoremen's union official.

GEORGIA LANDS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 5889, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal lands to the town of Savannah Beach, Tybee Island, Ga. Testifying on this measure were Comdr. James A. Hyslop, Chief of the Supply Division, United States Coast Guard; and James E. Moody, Assistant General Counsel, Public Buildings, General Services Administration.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Held executive consideration of section 4 (the revenue section) contained in H. R. 7072, Federal-aid highway construction bill. Recessed on the same subject until tomorrow morning.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Adopted 19 review resolutions previously approved and reported from the Subcommittee on Flood Control.

MINIMUM WAGE LAW

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, a rule for H. R. 7214, to increase to $1 the national hourly minimum wage standard. Representative Barden appeared in connection with the proposal today. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

AGENDA

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration today on pending bills introduced by members of the committee and will continue on the same subject tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT CONTRACTS

Joint Committee on Defense Production: Committee met in executive session to hear Jess Larson, formerly Administrator of GSA, and Howard I. Young, formerly Deputy Administrator of Defense Minerals Procurement Agency, GSA, testify with regard to contracts with Mid-Continent Mining Corp., W. M. & W. Mining Co., Inc., and McArthur Mining Co., Inc., all being contracts issued under authority of the Defense Production Act.

Committee recessed subject to call.

Monday, July 18, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted conference reports on renegotiation and gift importation, and passed 83 measures on calendar call.

Bills on social security expansion, airport development, and atomic merchant ship construction passed by House.

Bill to increase national hourly minimum wage cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 10650–10679

Bills Introduced: 17 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2556–S. 2572. Page 10653

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 473, authorizing investigation and report on advisability of a national monument in Brooklyn, N. Y. (S. Rept. 873);

H. R. 4001, to provide for the management and disposition of certain public domain lands in Oklahoma, with amendment (S. Rept. 874);

H. R. 4894, to repeal certain laws relating to timber and stone on the public domain (S. Rept. 875);

H. R. 4747, quitclaim reversionary interests in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Okla. (S. Rept. 876);

H. R. 3354, 4198, 4707, private bills (S. Repts. 877–879);

H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights, with amendments (S. Rept. 880);

S. 218, H. R. 896, 897, 902, 904, 905, private bills (S. Repts. 881–886, respectively);

S. 2375, to provide 5-year terms of office for members of the Subversive Activities Control Board with one of such terms expiring in each calendar year (S. Rept. 887);

H. R. 4753, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 to change the standard contained therein from 2 to 3 years with respect to the past affiliation of individuals conducting the management of certain organizations (S. Rept. 888);

S. 189, 194, 293, 332, 393, 592, 608, 610, 695, 762, 763, 836, 893, 963, 1036, 1042, 1068, 1085, 1128, 1130, 1142, 1253, 1322, 1417, 1438, 1477, 1496, 1503, 1504, 1563, 1612, 1681, 1716, 2145, 2269, 2270, H. R. 914, 932, 1180, 1185, 1302, 1304, 1435, 1436, 1439, 1458, 1486, 1508, 1537, 1668, 1698, 1911, 1927, 1987, 1997, 2059, 2070, 2078, 2241, 2242, 2259, 2306, 2307, 2313, 2315, 2735, 2738, 2749, 2755, 2783, 2947, 3048, 3270, 3504, 3624, 3625, 3629, 3630, 3864, 3871, 4146, 4147, 4284, 4289, 4455, 5283, 6396, 6613, S. 19, 204, 213, 235, 411, 425, 753, 843, 884, 910, 997, 1012, 1082, 1212, 1266, H. R. 3628, 3635, S. 1298, 1474, 1493, 1615, 1974, H. Con. Res. 167, H. Con. Res. 168, H. R. 1060, 1301, 1552, 2065, 2753, 2791, 2944, 3189, 3507, 3726, 4468, S. 223, 509, 518, 696, 1406, H. R. 1034, 1958, private bills (S. Repts. 889–1018, respectively); and

H. R. 3786, to incorporate Army and Navy Legion of Valor, with amendments (S. Rept. 1019).

Pages 10651–10653

Bills Referred: One House-passed bill and one House-passed concurrent resolution were referred to appropriate committees. Page 10649

Gift Importation: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 5559, proposal to extend for 2 years the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of U. S. Armed Forces abroad. Page 10679

Renegotiation: Conference report on H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years, was adopted. Pages 10679–10680

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 83 measures, of which 57 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Military claims: H. R. 3560, to provide for the relief of certain members of the Army, Navy, and Air Force;

Arkansas land: H. R. 4225, authorizing the VA Administrator to convey certain property to North Little Rock, Ark.;

Yakima Indians: H. R. 1801, to authorize the purchase, sale, and exchange of certain Indian lands on the Yakima Indian Reservation;

Yakima Indians: H. R. 1802, to authorize the leasing of certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for historical and park purposes;

Alaska court: H. R. 65, to adjust boundary between second and fourth judicial districts in Alaska;

Hawaii: H. R. 6331, relating to sale or lease of certain shorelands and tidelands in Hawaii;

D. C. tax: H. R. 2406, to exempt from taxation property transferred to the U. S. or D. C. for public or municipal purpose;

Mental health: H. J. Res. 256, providing for a nationwide analysis and reevaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness; and

Private bills: 27 private bills, H. R. 1245, 1275, 1463, 1538, 1540, 1541, 1549, 1551, 1648, 1661, 1693, 1750, 1883, 1929, 1954, 2073, 2274, 2353, 2495, 2721, 2724, 2756, 2911, 2925, 2929, 3853, 3972.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

West Virginia land: H. R. 6796, to transfer a tract of land to Clarksburg, W. Va.;

Creek Indians: H. R. 4367, distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians;

Military schools: H. R. 3253, to provide for continued operation of certain schools on military installations; and

Private bills: Five private bills, H. R. 6086, 4245, 1751, 2747, H. Con. Res. 99.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Uintah Indians: S. 878, extending the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation;

Navaho Indians: S. 1906, to authorize the Pueblos of San Lorenzo and Pojoaque in New Mexico to sell certain lands to the Navaho Tribe;

Postal employees: S. 2403, to authorize dual employment of custodial employees in post-office buildings operated by GSA;

Alaska: S. 985, to establish an Alaska International Rail and Highway Commission;

Private bills: 16 private bills, S. 84, 141, 173, 239, 253, 314, 358, 379, 410, 418, 671, 698, 768, 1296, 1353, 1540.

With amendment and cleared for House:

North Dakota land: S. 535, conveyance to North Dakota for use as a State historic site of land where Sitting Bull was originally buried;

Oklahoma Indians: S. 2198, to extend the period of restrictions on lands belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma;

Colorado River: S. 2039, to authorize lease of unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Ariz.;

Longshoremen: S. 2280, to amend the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act to provide increased benefits in case of disabling injuries;

D. C. police: S. 2427, authorizing overtime compensation for officers and members of Metropolitan Police Force, U. S. Park Police, White House Police, and Fire Department of the D. C.;

D. C. police: S. 2428, to increase the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police Force, Fire Department of D. C., U. S. Park Police, and White House Police;

Medical research: S. 849, to provide assistance to certain non-Federal institutions for construction of facilities for research in crippling and killing diseases; and

Private bills: Nine private bills, S. 240, 97, 417, 602, 1368, 1541, 1986, 1218, 1745.

Resolutions passed without amendment:

U. N. Information: S. Res. 134, relative to establishment by U. N. of a procedure for collecting and releasing radiological information; and

Private resolution: S. Res. 124.

Resolution passed with amendment:

Tariff agreements: S. Res. 121, directing the U. S. Tariff Commission to make an investigation of the effects of the tariff agreements entered into at the GATT Conference at Geneva. Pages 10682–10707

Indian Claims Commission: Senate reconsidered its action in passing on call of calendar S. 1746, continuing the Indian Claims Commission to April 10, 1962, and the bill resumed its place on the calendar. Page 10692

Private Bill: H. R. 3193, a private bill, was passed without amendment, thus clearing it for the White House. Page 10689

Polio Vaccine: Senate passed without amendment S. 2501, to amend the PHS Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis. Pages 10708–10720

Defense Production: Senate returned to consideration of S. 2391, extending Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years, after it had been temporarily set aside for consideration of other business. Page 10708

Nominations: 7 civilian nominations were received, including those of Julian F. Harrington, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Panama, Charles W. Yost, of New York, to be Ambassador to Laos, and 3 judicial nominations, along with 1,193 Army nominations.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:12 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense continued its hearings on military construction items in H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956. Testimony in behalf of Air Force construction was heard from Secretary of the Air Force Harold E. Talbott, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Financial Management) Lyle S. Garlock, John M. Ferry, Special Assistant for Installations, Maj. Gen. L. B. Washbourne, Assistant Chief of Staff, Installations, and numerous outside witnesses.

On Friday, July 15, testimony in behalf of funds for CIA construction was heard from CIA Director Allen Dulles, who was accompanied by his associates, and from various outside witnesses.

Also, on Friday, the subcommittee heard testimony from Senator Case (South Dakota) on funds for the Black Hills Ordnance Depot; Senators Magnuson and Jackson on funds for the Navy drydock at Puget Sound Shipyard; Representative Baldwin on miscellaneous California projects; Representative Vinson on funds for naval ordnance plant at Macon, Ga.; Representative Fallon on funds for Air Reserve Development Center in Maryland; and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Adm. Arthur W. Radford regarding housing facilities for the Chairman and persons assigned to the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Hearings continue Wednesday, July 20.

APPROPRIATIONS—MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: On Friday, July 15, committee concluded its hearings on H. R. 7224, fiscal 1956 appropriations for mutual security, after hearing testimony from numerous non-Government witnesses.

Committee will meet in executive session tomorrow for the markup of this bill.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee (Senators Ervin, chairman, and Saltonstall) met to consider S. 1135, to amend act establishing Civil Air Patrol as a civilian auxiliary of the U. S. Air Force, and received testimony from the following witnesses: Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, U. S. Air Force (retired); and Maj. Gen. Lucas V. Beau, national commander, Col. Daniel F. Boone, national adviser to the commanding general, Col. A. Paul Fonda, commander, Maryland wing, and Lt. Col. Louise J. Thadin, Middle East region cadet activities officer, all of the Civil Air Patrol. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: On Friday, July 15, the Housing Subcommittee ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment S. 2351, to authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Va.; and with amendment H. R. 6980, providing for the conveyance of the Old Colony project to the Boston Housing Authority, and H. R. 5512, conveyance of certain property under jurisdiction of HHFA to State of Louisiana.

SILVER PURCHASE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Federal Reserve Matters continued its hearings on S. 1427, to repeal legislation passed prior to 1934 which influences Treasury Department policy in purchasing silver for monetary purposes, hearing testimony from Dr. Leland Howard, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Mint, Treasury Department; Felix E. Wormser, Assistant Secretary, Mineral Resources, Interior Department; Herman Director, adviser on stockpiling and conservation, Commerce Department; and Prof. Lester Chandler, department of economics, Princeton University.

Hearings continue Monday, July 25.

PANAMA TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued its hearings on Treaty of Mutual Understanding and Cooperation Between U. S. and Republic of Panama (Exec. F, 84th Cong., 1st sess.), with testimony from Lavern R. Dilweg, representing U. S. Citizens Association of the Canal Zone; J. A. Brownlow, Metal Trades Department, AFL; Jerome J. Keating, National Association of Letter Carriers; George D. Riley, AFL; and Robert E. Mayer, Pacific American Steamship Association, and representing American Merchant Marine Institute and Association of American Ship Owners.

On Friday, July 15, the committee began hearings on this treaty, with testimony from Henry F. Holland, Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs, who was accompanied by his associates; George H. Roderick, Assistant Secretary of the Army; and W. Merrill Whitman, Secretary of the Panama Canal Company.

ALASKA OIL LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: On Friday, July 15, the Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs held hearings on request of the Secretary of Interior for the committee's views on the modification of Public Land Order No. 82, Alaska oil lands. Witnesses

heard at this session were Delegate Bartlett; Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary, accompanied by Kirkley S. Coulter, Assistant Director of Office of Territories and Chief of the Alaska Division, both of Interior Department; Capt. A. S. Miller, Chief of Naval Petroleum Reserves, Defense Department; and George S. Robinson, Special Assistant for Installations, Office of the Secretary of the Air Force.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported:

Without amendment, H. R. 4753, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 to change the standard contained therein from 2 to 3 years with respect to the past affiliation of individuals conducting the management of certain organizations; and S. 2375, to provide 5-year terms of office for members of the Subversive Activities Control Board with one of such terms expiring in each calendar year; with amendments, H. R. 3786, to incorporate Army and Navy Legion of Valor; and with an amendment, S. 997, to provide punishment for certain confidence game swindles;

The nominations of Caleb M. Wright to be U. S. district judge for the district of Delaware, and Joseph Mainelli to be U. S. attorney for district of Rhode Island;

One hundred and twenty-seven private immigration bills (S. 19, 189, 194, 213, 223, 293, 332, 393, 411, 425, 509, 518, 592, 608, 610, 695, 696, 753, 762, 763, 836, 843, 884, 893, 910, 963, 1012, 1036, 1042, 1068, 1082, 1085, 1128, 1130, 1142, 1212, 1253, 1266, 1298, 1322, 1406, 1417, 1438, 1474, 1477, 1493, 1496, 1503, 1504, 1563, 1612, 1615, 1681, 1716, 1974, 2145, 2269, 2270, H. R. 914, 932, 1034, 1060, 1180, 1185, 1301, 1302, 1304, 1435, 1436, 1439, 1458, 1486, 1508, 1537, 1552, 1668, 1698, 1911, 1927, 1958, 1987, 1997, 2059, 2065, 2070, 2078, 2241, 2242, 2259, 2306, 2307, 2313, 2315, 2735, 2738, 2749, 2753, 2755, 2783, 2791, 2944, 2947, 3048, 3189, 3270, 3504, 3507, 3624, 3625, 3628, 3629, 3630, 3635, 3726, 3864, 3871, 4146, 4147, 4284, 4289, 4455, 4468, 5283, 6396, 6613, H. Con. Res. 167, and 168); and S. 204, a private claim bill.

Committee indefinitely postponed 11 private immigration bills (S. 395, 1001, 1108, 1312, 1317, 1399, 1473, 1721, 1822, 1856, and 2325), and 3 private claims bills (S. 1785, H. R. 3027, and 3376).

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings regarding the Dixon-Yates power contract, having as its witnesses George Woods, chairman of the board of directors, and Adolphe Wenzell, formerly vice president, both of the First Boston Corporation of New York. Hearings continue tomorrow with further testimony from SEC Chairman J. Sinclair Armstrong.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, July 15, committee held hearings on the nomination of John R. Brown, of Texas, to be U. S. circuit judge for the fifth circuit.

NARCOTIC PROBLEMS IN THE D. C.

Committee on the Judiciary: On Friday, July 15, Subcommittee on Narcotics continued its hearings into the problem of narcotics traffic in the D. C., with testimony from Ralph D. Pittman, president, and Sally Orrison, executive director, both of the D. C. Criminal Justice Association; and Fred Earl Wilson, an agent of the Bureau of Narcotics, Treasury Department. Other witnesses heard were Ethel Gore and Margaret Sara Delores Stewart, both of D. C.; and William B. Douglas, Jr., and William Miller, also of Washington, D. C., who were accompanied by their attorney, J. Leon Williams.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: On Friday, July 15, Veterans Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee S. 2081, providing that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for 12 months after they have begun their training.

Prior to approval of this bill, the subcommittee held hearings thereon, with testimony from Representative Sisk, accompanied by Oliver Meadows, staff director of House Committee on Veterans' Affairs; T. F. Daley, Director of Project Service, Office of Legislation, S. H. Coile, Assistant Administrator in Charge of Vocational Rehabilitation, and Guy H. Birdsall, Assistant Administrator for Legislation, all of the Veterans' Administration; and C. H. Olson and Cecil H. Munson, both of the American Legion. Statements were filed for the record on this bill by John R. Holden, AMVETS; Adin Downer, VFW; and Roger Gibson, National Association of State Approval Agencies.

SUBCOMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee the following bills:

Without amendment—S. 1851, a private bill; H. R. 4362, to amend the act authorizing construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control; and H. R. 2866, declaring a portion of Acushnet River in Massachusetts a nonnavigable stream; and

Amended—S. 2029, changing name of Hulah Dam and Reservoir to "Lake O' the Osages"; S. 2260, granting consent to Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to a compact on the Red River; S. 2093, authorizing the

granting of certain property damages as a result of construction of the Oahe, Gavins Point, and Fort Randall Dams and reservoir projects, Missouri River; and S. 1899, to authorize improvement of the Amite River, La.

NIAGARA RIVER POWER DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Public Works: On Friday, July 15, Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors continued its hearings on Niagara River power development bills. Testifying in favor of S. 6, development of power on Niagara River by private enterprise, were Representative Miller (New York); Earle J. Machold, president, Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.; Charles C. Fichtner, Buffalo Chamber of Commerce; Robert R. Balmer, NAM; Robert E. Ginna, Rochester Gas & Electric Corp.; James E. Finke, Citizens Public Expenditure Survey, Inc.; Orrin A. Burrows, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; John K. Silsby, Niagara County Board of Supervisors, Gasport, N. Y.; and Sumner Carroll, Niagara County attorney, Niagara Falls, N. Y. Testifying in favor of S. 1823, development of power on Niagara River by the New York Power Authority, were Gordon Clapp, deputy city administrator, New York City, representing the mayor of New York; Mayor Bernard J. Dougherty, of Dunkirk, N. Y.; Mayor Carl Niess, Bonneville, N. Y.; and Mayor Samuel A. Stroth, Jamestown, N. Y.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 30 public bills, H. R. 7415–7444; 12 private bills, H. R. 7445–7456; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 307 and 308, were introduced. Pages 10814, 10835–10836

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 1855, to amend the Federal Airport Act by authorizing obligation of grants under the act of $63 million for each of fiscal years 1957–59 filed on July 15 (H. Rept. 1190);

Conference report on H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad (H. Rept. 1191);

S. 1167, conservation practices performed on Federal lands for the benefit of private lands (H. Rept. 1192);

H. J. Res. 112, to release reversionary right to improvements on a 3-acre tract in Orangeburg County, S. C. (H. Rept. 1193);

H. R. 4093, to assist the States of Maryland and Delaware to reestablish their common boundary (H. Rept. 1194);

H. R. 4734, extending the period for reimbursement of local interests for work done on a dredging project at Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors, Calif. (H. Rept. 1195);

H. R. 5337, amendments to Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, amended (H. Rept. 1196);

H. R. 6101, authorizing issuance of patents for certain land bordering on Indian River in Florida (H. Rept. 1197);

H. R. 5280, authorizing land exchanges for purposes of Colonial National Historic Park, Va. (H. Rept. 1198);

H. R. 7236, to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act with respect to water conservation practices (H. Rept. 1199);

H. R. 5649, to amend U. S. Code relative to applications for writs of habeas corpus by persons in custody pursuant to the judgment of a State court (H. Rept. 1200);

H. R. 4716, to increase certain patent and trademark fees (H. Rept. 1201);

H. Res. 308, providing for the consideration of, 3 hours of debate on, and the limiting the amendments to, H. R. 7214, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act to make the minimum wage $1 an hour effective March 1, 1956 (H. Rept. 1202); and

H. R. 7252, to permit sale of Commodity Credit Corporation stock of basic and storable nonbasic agricultural commodities without restriction where similar commodities are exported in raw or processed form (H. Rept. 1203). Pages 10834–10835

Reserve Forces: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Vinson, Brooks of Louisiana, Kilday, Short, and Arends. Page 10728

President's Message—U. N. Participation: Received a message from the President transmitting the ninth annual report on United States participation in the United Nations. The message was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. No. 166). Pages 10726–10727

Consent Calendar: On the call of the Consent Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President:

Aircraft carrier loan: S. 1139, to extend the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France.

Maine bridge: S. 1550, authorizing Maine State Highway Commission to construct and operate a free highway bridge across the St. Croix River between Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada.

Montana land conveyance: S. 1878, to amend the act authorizing the conveyance of certain lands to Miles City, Mont., in order to extend for 5 years the authority under such act.

Virgin Islands: S. 2097, authorizing transfer of certain agricultural property in St. Croix, V. I., to Department of Agriculture.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Military osteopaths: H. R. 483, to provide for appointment of doctors of osteopathy in the Medical Corps of the Army and Navy.

Naval Postgraduate School: H. R. 2149, to increase the annual compensation of the academic dean of the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School.

Military medical ranks: H. R. 2150, to provide for certain adjustments in the dates of rank of nurses and women medical specialists of the Regular Army and Regular Air Force in the permanent grade of captain.

Reserve officers: H. R. 2559, to authorize male nurses and medical specialists to be appointed as Reserve officers.

Alaska: H. R. 4047 relating to the establishment of public recreation facilities in Alaska.

Government service credit: H. R. 4106, to authorize the crediting, for certain purposes, of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under section 101 or 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947.

Naval teachers' retirement: H. R. 4672, to increase the annuities of certain retired civilian members of the teaching staffs of the U. S. Naval Academy and the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School.

Lake Meyer, Kans.: H. R. 4729, to designate the lake created by the Fall River Reservoir, Kans., as Lake Meyer.

Postal inventory: H. R. 5856, to repeal requirements for department heads to report to the Postmaster General the number of penalty envelopes and wrappers on hand at the close of the fiscal year.

Mississippi River bridge: H. R. 6417, to revise and reenact the act authorizing the Arkansas-Mississippi Bridge Commission, its public successors or public assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Friar Point, Miss., and Helena, Ark., approved May 17, 1939.

Food, drugs, and cosmetics: H. R. 6991, a bill to revise, codify, and enact into law title 21 of the U. S. Code entitled "Food, Drugs, and Cosmetics."

Marine Corps: H. R. 7028, to increase the peacetime limitation on the number of lieutenant generals in the Marine Corps.

Government disbursing officers: H. R. 7034, to provide permanent authority for the relief of certain disbursing officers.

Government officers' relief: H. R. 7035, to amend section 1 of the Act entitled "An Act to authorize relief of accountable officers of the Government."

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Indian lands: S. 34 (in lieu of H. R. 7157), to provide for the leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands.

U. S. property donation: S. 614 (in lieu of H. R. 3757), to authorize the Administrator of General Services to donate certain property to the American National Red Cross.

War risk insurance: S. 741, to extend the provisions of title 12 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, relating to war risk insurance for an additional 5 years.

Reclamation: S. 1177 (in lieu of H. R. 4308), amended, for the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating waters for reclamation.

Texas land conveyance: H. J. Res. 276, to authorize the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation to convey certain land to Kerr County, Tex., and such county to convey a portion thereof to the State of Texas.

O'Reilly General Hospital: H. R. 482, conveyance of a portion of the former O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo., to the State of Missouri.

Michigan land: H. R. 622, to provide for the release by the U. S. of its rights and interests in certain lands located in Saginaw County, Mich.

California land conveyance: H. R. 727, to direct the conveyance of certain lands to the Pecwan Union School District (California) in order to provide a site for a school.

Jim Woodruff Reservoir: H. R. 1599, to reconvey certain lands at the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Ga. and Fla.

Wisconsin land conveyance: H. R. 2889, conveyance of certain land in Necedah, Wis., to the village of Necedah.

Alabama land conveyance: H. R. 3235, to reconvey certain lands at the Demopolis lock and dam, Ala.

Alaska: H. R. 4096, to provide for the disposal of public lands within highway, telephone, and pipeline withdrawals in Alaska, subject to appropriate easements.

Clemson Agricultural College: H. R. 4280, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release, on behalf of the U. S., conditions in two deeds conveying certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina.

New York land conveyance: H. R. 4717, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to quitclaim all rights, title, and interest of the United States to certain lands in the village of Sag Harbor, N. Y.

Burial flags: H. R. 4727, to permit the issuance of a flag to a friend or associate of the deceased veteran where it is not claimed by the next of kin.

San Joaquin flood control: H. R. 6066, to modify the San Joaquin flood-control project.

Woodrow Wilson Centennial: H. R. 6454, to amend the joint resolution approved August 30, 1954, relating

to the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission.

Federal employment: H. R. 6590, to prohibit Federal employment to persons who are disloyal or who believe in the right to strike against the U. S. Government.

Vice-President-elect: H. R. 6621, to amend U. S. Code to provide penalties for threats against the Vice-President-elect and to authorize the Secret Service protection for the Vice-President-elect.

Wisconsin land transfer: H. R. 6727, to authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain lands to the city of Milwaukee, Wis.

Subsistence allowances: H. R. 7194, to authorize subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel.

Passed over without prejudice:

Retirement: S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service.

Group life insurance: S. 1792, to amend the Federal Employee Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, authorizing the assumption of the insurance obligations of any nonprofit association of Federal employees with its members.

United Nations membership: H. Con. Res. 186, expressing the sense of the Congress that certain countries be admitted to the United Nations.

Disabled veterans: H. R. 1614, to provide an increased statutory rate of compensation for veterans suffering the loss of the use of an eye in combination with the loss, or loss of use, of a limb.

Veterans' benefits, checks: H. R. 1821, to provide that checks for benefits provided by laws administered by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs may be forwarded to the addressee in certain cases.

Passport fees: H. R. 5844, to increase the fee for executing an application for a passport from $1 to $3.

Military service certificate: H. R. 6274, to provide that no fee shall be charged a veteran for furnishing him a copy of his certificate of service.

Military: H. R. 7049, to revise and codify titles 10 and 32 of the U. S. Code entitled "Armed Forces" and "National Guard," respectively.

Military frank: H. R. 7125, to extend to June 30, 1956, free mailing privileges granted to members of the U. S. Armed Forces.

Objected to:

Service Academies, appointments: H. R. 5269, to increase from 89 to 300 the number of cadets that the President may personally select for appointment to the U. S. Military Academy and the U. S. Air Force Academy. **Pages 10729–10768**

Suspension Passages: The consideration of legislation under suspension of the rules was in order and the House considered and passed the following bills:

Social security amendments: H. R. 7225, to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide disability insurance benefits for certain disabled individuals who have attained age 50, to reduce to age 62 the age on the basis of which benefits are payable to certain women, to provide for continuation of child's insurance benefits for children who are disabled before attaining age 18, and to extend coverage, with amendments (by a record vote of 372 yeas to 31 nays). **Pages 10768–10799**

Airports: S. 1855, to amend the Federal Airport Act by authorizing obligation of grants under the act of $63 million for each of fiscal years 1957–59, with amendments (by a division vote of 145 yeas to 32 nays). **Pages 10799–10806**

Atomic merchant ship: H. R. 6243, authorizing the construction of a nuclear-powered merchant ship to promote the peacetime application of atomic energy (by a voice vote). **Pages 10806–10814**

Insurance companies' income tax: H. R. 7201, relating to the taxation of income of insurance companies, with an amendment (by a voice vote). **Pages 10814–10823**

Religious Freedom: Adopted H. J. Res. 386, reaffirming the rights of the people of the world to freedom of religion. **Page 10824**

U. S. Foreign Policy: Legislative action was concluded on H. Con. Res. 149, expressing the sense of Congress that the United States in its international relations should maintain its traditional policy in opposition to colonialism and Communist imperialism, by agreement of the House to Senate amendments thereto. **Pages 10824–10825**

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:08 p. m.

Committee Meetings

WATER CONSERVATION

Committee on Agriculture: The Poage subcommittee considered, but took no action on, pending bills to provide that the Federal Government shall pay a portion of the costs of certain works of improvement constructed for purposes of water conservation. Witnesses heard on these proposals today were Ervin L. Peterson, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture (Federal-State Relations); Don Williams, Chief of the Soil Conservation Service; and Carl Brown, Planning Division, Soil Conservation Service.

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Representative Sheehan, of Illinois, testified last Friday in connection with the committee's study of the national sugar situation and pending legislation thereto. This session concluded the current series of public hearings on sugar, with executive consideration scheduled for tomorrow and Wednesday.

AGRICULTURAL LEGISLATION

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House (last Friday)—

S. 1166, relating to imports from the British Virgin Islands into the Virgin Islands of the United States for slaughter only, cattle and poultry which have been freed from tick infection;

S. 1167, to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act relating to conservation payments on noncrop federally owned lands;

S. 1759, amended, relating to appropriation of Federal funds for support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico;

H. R. 6845, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act relating to national marketing quota for tobacco;

H. R. 6846 (amended) and H. R. 6847, amending the Agricultural Act regarding tobacco allotments;

H. R. 6914, to amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans;

H. R. 7252, to permit sale of Commodity Credit Corporation stock of basic and storable nonbasic agricultural commodities without restriction where similar commodities are exported in raw or processed form;

H. R. 7302, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

SERVICE ACADEMIES

Committee on Armed Services: The Kilday subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4229, to provide running mates for certain Staff Corps officers in the naval service.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4296, to provide that professors at West Point (appointed prior to August 7, 1947, and retiring at age 64) shall not be deprived of certain retirement benefits.

RESERVE OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5738, to authorize flight instruction during Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 6725, to provide a lump-sum readjustment payment for Reserve officers who are involuntarily released from active duty.

ARMY PROJECTS

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee approved certain Army real-estate projects (last Friday), along with various classified construction projects.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Met executively today on H. R. 7017, to extend the Defense Production Act. Took no final action and recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Concluded public hearings last Friday on H. R. 6228 and 6229, providing for U. S. participation in the International Finance Corporation. Joseph C. Campbell, U. S. Comptroller General, and representatives of the American Bankers Association testified on title I, of the bill, amending the National Banking Act and the Federal Reserve Act (20-year loans on improved real estate, 9-month construction loans, and various minor amendments).

D. C. LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

S. 665, amended, to revive section 3 of the D. C. Public School Food Services Act regarding employee benetfis;

S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education;

S. 1741, to exempt from taxation certain property of the Jewish War Veterans in the District;

S. 2176, to repeal requirement that District of Columbia public utilities must submit annual reports to Congress;

S. 2177, to repeal the prohibition against declaration of stock dividends by District of Columbia public utilities;

H. R. 2601, amended, to provide payment of compensation to members of the D. C. Police and Fire Departments, the White House Police, and the U. S. Park Police, for duty performed on their days off, when such days off are suspended during an emergency;

H. R. 6775, amended, to require that licenses be obtained from the D. C. Commissioners by persons engaged in making loans of $600 or less, and to regulate the pawnbroking business;

H. R. 7061, to authorize borrowing of motor vehicles for use in a motor-vehicle driver education and training course in D. C. public schools;

H. R. 7159, to increase the salaries of officers and members of the D. C. Police Force, the Fire Department, the U. S. Park Police and White House Police.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Continued executive consideration (last Friday) of H. R. 7152, to authorize Federal assistance to States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms. Will resume on same subject tomorrow (Tuesday) morning.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan subcommittee met with George M. Humphrey, Secretary of the Treasury, to hear his views on the tax amortization program. The Secretary stated today that he was not, at this time, advocating repeal of the program provisions, but suggested severe curtailment and limit-

ing such amortization strictly to defense production. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

CHEESE

Committee on Government Operations: The Fountain subcommittee met today with True D. Morse, Under Secretary of Agriculture, and other officials of the Department, for interrogation regarding cheese transactions entered into by the Commodity Credit Corporation under departmental regulation. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

STATE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on Government Operations: The Hardy subcommittee resumed hearings last Friday in connection with its study of overseas personnel administration of the Department of State. Testimony was received from Thruston B. Morton, Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations; and I. W. Carpenter, Jr., Controller, Department of State. Recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

MINERAL INTERESTS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee held a hearing today on S. 748, to prohibit the United States from acquiring mineral interests in lands acquired by it, except when necessary to serve the purpose for which such lands are acquired. Testimony on the proposal was received from Senator Long, of Louisiana, author of the measure; Representative Willis of Louisiana; Orme Lewis, Assistant Secretary of the Interior; and Perry Morton, Assistant Attorney General, Lands Division, Department of Justice. Took no action and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

IDAHO LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Pfost subcommittee approved (last Saturday) for reporting to the full committee H. R. 3650, a private real-estate property conveyance in Cassia County, Idaho.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee heard further testimony last Saturday on H. R. 412, to authorize Federal construction, operation, and maintenance of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project in Colorado. Officials of the Bureau of Reclamation, who testified at the hearing, were George Tomlinson, Assistant Director of the Project Development Division; Emil Lindseth, assistant regional director, region No. 7, Denver, Colo.; Ben Powell, area engineer, Pueblo, Colo., office; and C. W. Jacobson, engineer, Denver, Colo., office. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

HELLS CANYON DAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee continued public hearings last Friday on H. R. 4718, 4730, 4739, and 4740, bills which would authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Hells Canyon Dam on the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon. Opposition to the legislation was presented by Bernard Williams, of Boise, Idaho (vice president of Mirrison-Knudsen Co.); Alex O. Coleman, St. Anthony, Idaho (farmer and stockman); J. H. Silbaugh, president of board of directors, North Side Canal; N. V. Sharp, Filer, Idaho (chairman, Committee of Nine); William Welch, National Reclamation Association; R. P. Parry, of Twin Falls, Idaho (counsel, Idaho Power Co.); and W. G. Sloan, consulting engineer, La Mesa, Calif. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

MEDICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Subcommittee on Health and Science met executively today on H. R. 4743, to authorize a 5-year program of grants for construction of medical educational and research facilities. Made no announcement.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 took testimony today on several private immigration bills. In executive session, it approved for reporting to the full committee 30 private immigration bills of the House, and reported adversely on 26 others (25 of the House and 1 of the Senate).

U. S. MARSHALS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 today approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4019, to authorize mileage allowance of 10 cents per mile for U. S. marshals and their deputies for travel on official business.

FARM-CITY WEEK

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 (last Friday) approved for reporting to the full committee H. J. Res. 317, to designate the last week of October of each year as National Farm-City Week. Witnesses heard on the proposed legislation were Representative Cooley, author of the measure; Representative Hope, author of H. J. Res. 318, an identical proposal; Roy Battles, National Grange; Bruce Gervan, the Grange League Federation; Hollis Seavey, Clear Channel Broadcasting Co., Washington, D. C.; William M. Daley, Washington representative of the National Editorial Association; and James Roe, former editor of Successful Farmer.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Resumed hearings today in connection with its current study of national maritime labor-management problems. Received views of Harry Bridges, president, National

Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to hear Francis Greene, president of the American Merchant Marine Institute.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Approved (last Friday) for reporting to the House H. R. 7072, the Federal-aid highway construction bill. The proposed Federal-State road program would involve a 12-year spending total of $48.5 billion. A clean bill is scheduled to be reported tomorrow (Tuesday), which will supersede H. R. 7072.

MINIMUM WAGE STANDARDS

Committee on Rules: Granted a limited closed rule, providing for 3 hours of general debate, on H. R. 7214, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act to make the minimum wage $1 an hour effective March 1, 1956. The rule will permit amendments to be offered to the sections of the bill dealing with the hourly rate and the effective date. Witnesses heard on the proposed legislation today were Representatives Kelley of Pennsylvania, McConnell and Frelinghuysen. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will consider a rule on S. J. Res. 12, re the Passamaquoddy tidal power project in Maine. Will also consider H. Res. 38, pledging allegiance to the flag in the U. S. House of Representatives; and H. Res. 237, creating a select committee to study promotion of trade fairs and expositions in the United States.

AGENDA

Committee on Ways and Means: Held further executive consideration last Friday on pending bills introduced by members of the committee, and will continue on the same subject tomorrow (Tuesday) morning.

FEDERAL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee No. 1 (Representative Evins, chairman) began a series of hearings today to study organization procedures of the Federal regulatory commissions and agencies. Heard testimony from Chairman Edward F. Howrey and Commissioner James M. Mead, of the Federal Trade Commission, which agency is charged with the duty of enforcing the antitrust laws and other statutes in the public interest. Recessed until tomorrow morning when FTC officials are scheduled to continue on the subject.

Joint Committee Meetings

GIFT IMPORTATION

Conferees, in executive session on Friday, July 15, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5559, to extend for 2 years the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad. Conferees reached the following agreements: (1) House conferees accepted Senate version providing that free importation authority be extended for 2 years, rather than permanently as in the House version of the bill; and (2) agreed to delete Senate committee amendment providing for a tariff reclassification of hardboard.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bill extending Defense Production Act for 2 years.

House debated minimum wage increase bill.

Senate committee approved mutual security appropriation bill.

Bills to amend and extend the Defense Production Act and Small Business Act approved by House committees. Individual retirement bill also approved.

Conferees agreed to file report on Labor-HEW appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 5 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2573–S. 2577; and S. J. Res. 91 and S. J. Res. 92. **Pages 10879–10880**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2277, conveyance of certain land to Sioux Falls, S. Dak., for park and recreational purposes, with amendments (S. Rept. 1020);

S. Res. 133, increasing by $15,000 funds for a study by the Committee on Foreign Relations of technical assistance and related programs (S. Rept. 1021);

S. 2049, recognizing 50th anniversary of Devils Tower National Monument (S. Rept. 1022);

H. R. 5893, retirement of retired military personnel in Federal civil service (S. Rept. 1023);

H. R. 4727, to permit the issuance of flag to a friend or associate of deceased veteran when it is not claimed by next of kin (S. Rept. 1024);

H. R. 605, providing for the abolition of the 80-rod reserved spaces between claims on shore waters in Alaska (S. Rept. 1025);

H. R. 2866, declaring a portion of Acushnet River in Massachusetts a nonnavigable stream (S. Rept. 1026);

H. R. 4362, to amend the act authorizing construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control (S. Rept. 1027);

S. 1851, private bill (S. Rept. 1028);

S. 1899, to authorize improvement of the Amite River, La., with amendment (S. Rept. 1029);

S. 2260, granting consent to Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to a compact on the Red River, with amendment (S. Rept. 1030);

S. 2029, changing name of Hulah Dam and Reservoir to "Lake O' the Osages," with amendments (S. Rept. 1031); and

S. 2093, authorizing the granting of certain property damages as a result of construction of the Oahe, Gavins Point, and Fort Randall Dams and reservoir projects, Missouri River, with amendments (S. Rept. 1032).

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Bills Referred: 35 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 10915–10916

Bill Re-Referred: Committee on the District of Columbia was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 1806, Roosevelt Memorial Association, and the bill was re-referred to Committee on the Judiciary.

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Survivorship Benefits: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 59, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to make April 1, 1948, the effective date for survivorship benefits to widowers as have been provided for widows. Page 10886

Private Bills: S. 1352 and S. 1584, private bills, were passed after adoption of committee amendments. Subsequently, Senator O'Mahoney entered motion for reconsideration of the Senate's action in passing these bills. Pages 10886–10887, 10916

Great Lakes—Milk River, Mont.: Letter from Secretary of Army transmitting report dated June 9, 1955, from Chief of Engineers, Department of Army, together with accompanying papers and illustrations, on review of reports on Great Lakes connecting channels, was referred to Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 71; and

Letter from Secretary of Army transmitting report dated July 22, 1954, from Chief of Engineers, Department of Army, together with accompanying papers and illustrations, on review of report on Milk River, Glasgow, Mont., was referred to Committee on Public Works and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 70.

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Defense Production: Senate passed with amendments S. 2391, extending Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years, after adopting the following amendments thereto: Frear amendment barring "without compensation" appointments as director or head of any policy-making position after October 31, 1955, except in time of war or emergency, and barring appointments of individuals to negotiate or execute contracts in which they may have a direct or indirect interest; Kilgore amendment amending the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act of 1955 by extending time for sale of Plancor No. 980 at Institute, W. Va.; Fulbright amendment providing for development of substitutes for certain strategic and critical materials; and, by 46 yeas to 45 nays, Capehart amendment permitting the continued use of business experts without compensation.

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Red Cross: Senate concurred in House amendments to and cleared for President S. 614, to authorize Administrator of General Services to donate certain property to the American National Red Cross. Pages 10918–10919

D. C. Committee: Committee on the District of Columbia was authorized to meet July 20 while Senate is in session. Page 10871

Authority To Report: All committees were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 10921

Agricultural Trade: Senate made its unfinished business S. 2253, to reemphasize trade development as the primary purpose of title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954. Page 10921

Bill Recommitted—Minerals Program: By unanimous consent S. 922, to extend further the program to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals, was recommitted to Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. Page 10880

Contempt Citation: S. Res. 135, citing Eugene C. James for contempt of Senate, was adopted. Page 10916

Confirmations: Two judicial nominations were confirmed. Page 10931

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:24 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MUTUAL SECURITY

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, completed the markup on H. R. 7224, fiscal 1956 appropriations for mutual security, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the Senate with amendments.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Banking, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee a clean bill (S. 2577) to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported: (1) Without amendment, H. R. 5893, retirement of retired military personnel in Federal civil service, and H. R. 4727, to permit the issuance of flag to a friend or associate of the deceased veteran when it is not claimed by next of kin; and (2) the nominations of Marion D. Folsom, of New York, to be Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, and H. Chapman Rose, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury.

The committee also discussed, but did not conclude consideration of, H. R. 735, to increase the rate of special pension to certain persons awarded the Medal of Honor.

Committee announced the following meetings: (1) July 21, executive meeting to receive briefing by staff on provisions of H. R. 7089, survivor insurance bill; (2) July 22, to receive administration's views on H. R. 7225, social security amendments of 1955 (HEW Secretary Hobby will be asked to appear); and (3) July 25, to hold hearings on H. R. 7201, new tax formula for life-insurance companies.

Prior to this action, the committee held hearings on H. R. 735, with testimony favoring the bill from A. M. Downer, VFW, and testimony in opposition to the bill from Maj. William Dwyer, Defense Department. Committee also heard testimony from Joseph F. Mannion, Army and Navy Legion of Valor, accompanied by Daniel B. VanNice II, who suggested that the bill be amended to provide a $50 pension at age 50 for holders of Distinguished Service Cross and Navy Cross, as well as holders of Congressional Medals of Honor.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

(1) With amendments, H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949;

(2) Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation with Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. E, 84th Cong., 1st sess.);

(3) 94 nominations in the Foreign Service; and

(4) S. Res. 133, increasing by $15,000 funds for a study by the Committee on Foreign Relations of technical assistance and related programs.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings regarding certain operations of the Armed Services Textile and Procurement Agency. Witnesses heard were Laverne J. Duffy, an investigator on the subcommittee's staff; Harry Lev, president, Mid-City Uniform Co.; and Michael Weintraub, formerly clothing inspector of the Chicago Quartermaster Corps. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—S. 1683, to amend act limiting boundaries of the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona; and

Amended—S. 1534, to facilitate the construction of drainage works and other minor items on Federal reclamation and like projects; S. 2442, to provide for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects; S. 514, to provide for disposal of certain Federal property in Boulder City, Nev., area; S. 1689, authorizing execution of repayment contract with Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Gila project, Arizona; S. 730, compact between Kansas and Oklahoma for waters of Arkansas River; S. 1194, providing for construction of Red Willow Dam and Reservoir, Nebr., as a unit of Missouri River Basin project; and S. 926, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Ventura River reclamation project, California.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings regarding the Dixon-Yates power contract, with further testimony from George Woods, chairman of the board of directors, and Adolphe Wenzell, formerly vice president, both of the First Boston Corp. of New York. Hearings continue tomorrow with testimony from SEC Chairman J. Sinclair Armstrong.

NARCOTIC PROBLEMS IN THE D. C.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Narcotics continued its hearings into problems of narcotics traffic in the D. C., having as its witness Leo A. Rover, U. S. attorney for the D. C.; accompanied by his assistant, Oliver Gasch; Mrs. Kitty Frank, Assistant U. S. Attorney; Dr. Thomas Griffin, Chief of the Psychiatric Division, D. C. Health Department; Hugh F. Rivers, Parole Executive for the D. C.; Cyril Lawrence, U. S. Commissioner for the D. C.; Sally Orrison, executive secretary, D. C. Criminal Justice Association; Dr. Harry Friedenberg, Washington, D. C.; and William B. Douglas, also of Washington, D. C., accompanied by his attorney, J. Leon Williams. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—H. R. 4362, to amend the act authorizing construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control; and H. R. 2866, declaring a portion of Acushnet River in Massachusetts a nonnavigable stream; and

Amended—S. 2029, changing name of Hulah Dam and Reservoir to "Lake O' the Osages"; S. 2260, granting consent to Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to a compact on the Red River; S. 2093, authorizing the grant of certain property damages as a result of construction of the Oahe, Gavins Point, and Fort Randall Dams and reservoir projects, Missouri River; S. 1899, to authorize improvement of the Amite River, La.; and S. 1851, a private bill.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 19 public bills, H. R. 7457–7475; 17 private bills, H. R. 7476–7492; and 8 resolutions, H. J. Res. 388–394, and H. Res. 309, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Fifty-three private bills, H. R. 929, 1005, 1014, 1074, 1104, 1137, 1208, 1209, 1639, 1909, 2235, 2283, 2339, 2916, 2948, 3195, 3857, S. 38, 71, 91, 100, 119, 167, 176, 181, 214, 238, 346, 352, 388, 394, 397, 430, 466, 470, 474, 503, 541, 606, 664, 707, 1035, 1044, 1126, 1154, 1155, 1159, 1367, 1521, 1522, 1271, 1272, and 1741 (H. Repts. 1204–1256, respectively);

S. 665, to revive section 3 of the D. C. Public School Food Services Act regarding employee benefits, amended (H. Rept. 1257);

S. 2176, to repeal requirement that D. C. public utilities must submit annual reports to Congress (H. Rept. 1258);

S. 2177, to repeal the prohibition against declaration of stock dividends by D. C. public utilities (H. Rept. 1259);

S. 2237, strengthening the organization of the Department of State (H. Rept. 1260);

H. R. 4229, to provide running mates for certain staff corps officers in the naval service (H. Rept. 1261);

H. R. 7061, to authorize borrowing of motor vehicles for use in a motor-vehicle driver education and training course in D. C. public schools (H. Rept. 1262);

H. R. 7159, to increase the salaries of officers and members of the D. C. Police Force, the Fire Department, the U. S. Park Police, and White House Police (H. Rept. 1263);

H. R. 7301, to permit the disposal of Plancor No. 980 at Institute, W. Va. (H. Rept. 1264);

H. R. 2601, to provide payment of compensation to members of the D. C. Police and Fire Departments, the White House Police, and the U. S. Park Police, for duty performed on their days off, when such days off are suspended during an emergency (H. Rept. 1265);

H. R. 5738, to authorize flight instruction during Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs (H. Rept. 1266);

H. R. 1516, a private bill (H. Rept. 1267);

H. R. 4019, to authorize mileage allowances of 10 cents per mile for U. S. marshals and their deputies for travel on official business (H. Rept. 1268);

H. R. 7440, to equalize and adjust certain salaries in the House of Representatives (H. Rept. 1269);

H. R. 7029, to establish a Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise (H. Rept. 1270);

H. R. 593, to convey by quitclaim deed certain land to the State of Texas (H. Rept. 1271); and

Conference report on H. R. 5046, the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare appropriation bill for 1956 (H. Rept. 1272). Pages 10991–10993

Private Calendar: On the call of the Private Calendar the following bills were passed:

Cleared for the President: S. 350 and 824.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 999, 1022, 1161, 1183, 1539, 1544, 1877, 1878, 1907, 1976, 2273, 2278, 2466, 2467, 2525, 3349, 3845, 3856, 4508, 5767, 6036, 6532, 6790, and 6896.

Also concluded legislative action on H. Res. 280, 287, and 290.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. 1033, H. R. 898, 910, 1159, 1160, 1423, 1481, 1637, 1887, 2342, 2788, 2945, 3063, 3373, 3501, 3956, 4718, 4852, 4867, 4970, 5546, 6002, 6078, 6158, and 6794.

Passed over without prejudice: S. 92, 135, and 476.

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Duty-Free GI Gifts: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 5559, to make permanent the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the U. S. Armed Forces on duty abroad, and thus cleared the legislation for Presidential action. Page 10942

Private Bills: The following eight private bills were cleared for the White House by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto: H. R. 962, 1044, 1155, 1333, 1868, 3071, 4245, and 6086. Also concluded legislative

action on H. Con. Res. 98 and 99 by concurring in Senate amendments thereto. Pages 10942–10944

Minimum Wage Increase: Adopted H. Res. 308, the rule limiting amendments to, and providing for 3 hours of debate on, H. R. 7214, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act to make the minimum wage $1 an hour effective March 1, 1956; and concluded all debate before deferring further consideration of the bill to Wednesday. Pages 10944–10985

Cleared for White House: The following bills were cleared for the White House by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto:

Schools on military installations: H. R. 3253, to provide for the continued operation of certain schools on military installations.

West Virginia land transfer: H. R. 6796, to provide for the conveyance to the city of Clarksburg, W. Va., of certain property which was donated for use in connection with a veterans' hospital, and which is not being used.

Indian funds: H. R. 4367, distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians. Pages 10985–10986

Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise: Passed H. R. 7029, to establish a Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise. Page 10986

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:58 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Announced appointment of a subcommittee to draft a comprehensive bill on the subject of sugar. This measure will be considered by the full committee after it is drawn up by the new subcommittee.

OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 1516, re Distinguished Flying Cross to Col. Bennett Hill Griffin;

H. R. 4229, to provide running mates for certain staff corps officers in the naval service;

H. R. 5738, amended, to authorize flight instruction during Reserve Officers Training Corps programs;

H. R. 7301, to permit disposal of Plancor No. 980 at Institute, W. Va. (under Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Act); and

S. 1271 and 1272, private bills which were recommitted by the House on a call of the Private Calendar May 17.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 7470, amended, to extend the Defense Production Act. This is a clean bill and supersedes the original measure (H. R. 7071).

SMALL BUSINESS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported to the House S. 2127, to amend the Small Business Act; amended by striking out the Senate text and inserting provisions of the House bill (H. R. 7256). Will meet tomorrow for further executive consideration of H. R. 6228 and 6229, providing for U. S. participation in the International Finance Corporation.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Resumed executive consideration of H. R. 7152, to authorize Federal assistance to States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms. Recessed on subject until tomorrow morning.

STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Resumed public hearings on H. J. Res. 309, and similar resolutions, providing for revision of the Status of Forces Agreement so that foreign countries will not have criminal jurisdiction over American Armed Forces personnel stationed within their boundaries. Witnesses heard at this session were Robert Murphy, Deputy Under Secretary of State; Wilber M. Brucker, General Counsel, Department of Defense; and J. Lee Rankin, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice. Recessed until tomorrow morning when the same witnesses are scheduled to testify.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The ad hoc subcommittee on H. R. 2097, making increases in annuities of annuitants under the Foreign Service retirement and disability system, received testimony from the following witnesses in an executive session today—William E. Woodyear, personnel projects officer, Department of State; and Thomas Hughes, diplomatic and consular officer, retired.

SURPLUS PROPERTY

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks (Texas) subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 7227 and 4660, to make civil defense organizations eligible to receive property declared surplus by Federal agencies. Witnesses heard today were Val Peterson, Administrator, Federal Civil Defense; Col. Harry E. Brown, Assistant Federal Civil Defense Administrator for Operations Control Services; William L. McGill, civil defense administrator for Texas, and president of the National Association of Civil Defense Directors; Lt. Gen. Clarence Heubner, civil defense director, New York State; Shirley Ewing, civil defense director, State of Maryland; Col. John Maginnis, civil defense director, State of Massachusetts; Dr. Richard Gurstell, civil defense director, State of Pennsylvania; Joseph Malone, civil defense director for Boston, Mass., and president, U. S. Civil Defense Council; George Arnold, civil defense director,

Columbus, Ohio; Paul Martenstein, civil defense director, Philadelphia, Pa.; John Thomas, General Services Administration; and Miles D. Kennedy, legislative director, American Legion. Mr. Kennedy is scheduled to resume tomorrow morning, at which time Members of Congress are also expected to testify.

SOUTHWEST ELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff subcommittee began hearings to review actions of the Department of the Interior and related agencies in the sale of electric power from Federal dams in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, and Louisiana. Representative Cannon, of Missouri, was today's witness. Scheduled to testify tomorrow are Senator Monroney, of Oklahoma, and former Governor of Arkansas Sidney S. McMath.

CHEESE

Committee on Government Operations: Officials of the Department of Agriculture testified again today before the Fountain subcommittee which is conducting a study relative to cheese transactions entered into by the Commodity Credit Corporation under departmental regulation. The witnesses, who are scheduled to return tomorrow morning for further questioning, were Don Anderson, Director of the Livestock and Dairy Division; and Edward M. Shulman and George E. Cooper, of the Office of General Counsel.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government: The Mollohan subcommittee resumed hearings in connection with its study of the tax amortization program. Today's witness, A. R. Seder, vice president, Association of American Railroads, discussed the present earning position of railroads, stating that it was inadequate to increase holdings of rolling stock. During subcommittee interrogation, the witness stressed the need of a more favorable earnings' position by railroads, but said that freight-rate increases were not indicated at this time. He will return for further questioning tomorrow morning, following which Joel Dean, economic consultant, Cleveland, Ohio, is scheduled to testify.

HATCH ACT—HOUSE EMPLOYEES—PRINTING

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3084, to remove restrictions placed on State employees by the Hatch Act relating to political activities in elections for Federal officers;

H. R. 7029, to establish a Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise;

H. R. 7440, to equalize and adjust the pay schedule of certain House employees;

H. J. Res. 385, to authorize printing and binding of revised edition of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives and providing that same shall be subject to author's copyright; and

H. Res. 272, providing funds for a select committee's study of White County Bridge Commission's financial position.

IDAHO LANDS—MINERALS PROGRAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 3650, amended, a private real-estate conveyance in Cassia County, Idaho.

Also approved an amendment to be offered on the House floor during consideration of H. R. 6373, extending programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals.

HELLS CANYON DAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee rejected a motion today to postpone indefinitely further hearings on bills to construct and maintain Hells Canyon Dam on the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon.

GILA PROJECT, ARIZONA

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee heard testimony today in support of H. R. 5806, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to execute a repayment contract with the Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Gila project, in Arizona. The witnesses were William I. Palmer, Chief of Contracts and Economic Branch, Bureau of Reclamation (who suggested adoption of various amendments); and John Gardiner, president, and Everett L. Miller, attorney, of the Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Yuma, Ariz. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

AGENDA—CIVIL AIR POLICY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Held executive consideration of pending bills. Made no announcement.

The meeting, scheduled for July 21, to hear Representative Boggs in connection with civil air policy, will be conducted on Friday, July 22, instead.

MARSHALS—BANKRUPTCY—PROCEDURES—IMMIGRATION—CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following measures reported to the House—

H. R. 4019, amended, to authorize mileage allowance for U. S. marshals and their deputies for travel on official business;

H. R. 5047, amended, to increase the compensation of trustees in bankruptcy (a similar bill, H. R. 5416, was tabled);

H. R. 5061, amended, to establish a commission to be known as the Attorney General's Commission on International Rules of Judicial Procedure;

H. R. 6247, to amend and repeal subdivisions of the Bankruptcy Act (relating to unclaimed moneys);

H. R. 6888, amended, to amend the act of 1954 relating to special nonquota immigration visas, and to facilitate the entry of skilled specialists chargeable to quota for Spain;

S. Con. Res. 42, amended, relating to suspension of deportation of certain aliens;

S. 1154, a private claim bill; and

110 private immigration bills (70 of the House and 40 of the Senate).

The committee also tabled the following—

S. 288, providing for reimbursement for loss of revenue through acquisition of certain school lands in Upham, N. Dak., by the Department of the Interior;

H. R. 1454 and S. 1220, private bills; and

104 private immigration bills (93 of the House and 11 of the Senate).

A bill, H. J. Res. 317, designating the last week in October of each year as National Farm-City Week, was returned to Subcommittee No. 4 for further consideration.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Francis Green, president of the American Merchant Marine Institute, testified during today's hearing on maritime labor-management problems. The witness scheduled for tomorrow is a representative of the International Longshoremen's Association (independent).

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Morrison subcommittee postponed, subject to call of the Chair, the scheduled hearing on S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointments.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Authorized introduction of a new bill (H. R. 7474) incorporating the revised revenue provisions to be contained in the Federal-aid highway construction proposal. This measure will be considered by the committee tomorrow morning.

PASSAMAQUODDY PROJECT

Committee on Rules: Considered, and deferred further action until the next session of Congress, a rule for S. J. Res. 12, re the Passamaquoddy tidal power project. Testifying on the proposed legislation were Representatives Vorys, Hays of Arkansas, Merrow, Hale, McIntire, and Nelson. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

FLAG SALUTE—TRADE FAIRS

Committee on Rules: Considered, but took no action on, H. Res. 38, to amend the Rules of the House to provide that the pledge of allegiance to flag be rendered at each day's session; and H. Res. 237, to create a select committee to study promotion of trade fairs and expositions in the United States. Testimony was received on the proposals from the respective authors, Representative Holtzman (H. Res. 38) and Representative Flood (H. Res. 237).

INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 10, the Individual Retirement Act of 1955, with the following amendments—

(1) A qualified person is redefined so as to limit the application of the bill to self-employed individuals as defined in the social security law with the additional groups of physicians and Christian Science practitioners.

(2) The alternative forms of investment were amended to provide 3 alternative forms instead of 2 as under the bill. These alternative forms are—

(a) A restricted retirement annuity fund;

(b) A restricted retirement annuity contract; and

(c) A life-insurance annuity contract to the extent that the premium is allocated to the annuity.

(3) Provision is made for the creation of custodian accounts.

(4) The maximum amount that may be excluded in any taxable year was reduced from $7,500 to $5,000 and the maximum lifetime exclusion was reduced from $150,000 to $100,000.

The bill is scheduled to be included in the "bobtail" bill being prepared by the committee.

TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 257, to provide that periods of limitation for income-tax purposes of gains or losses in the sale or exchange of a taxpayer's residence shall not run while the taxpayer is on extended active service in the U. S. Armed Forces;

H. R. 2553, amended, relating to the use of corporation property by a shareholder (amending sec. 502 (f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939);

H. R. 3547, amended, providing accelerated amortization of stream pollution facilities (approved Friday);

H. R. 7064, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to extend period for exercise of restricted stock options after termination of employment;

H. R. 7094, amended, relating to unlimited charitable deductions (approved Friday);

H. R. 7282, amended, relating to allowance of credits for dividends received, for dividends paid, and for a

Western Hemisphere trade corporation in computing the alternative tax of a corporation, with respect to capital gains; and

H. R. 7307, relating to burden of proof in certain proceedings before the Tax Court.

FEDERAL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Evins subcommittee heard further testimony today from officials of the Federal Trade Commission in connection with its current study of organization procedures of the Federal regulatory commissions and agencies. Those testifying were Chairman Edward F. Howrey; Earl Kintner, General Counsel; Alex Akerman, Jr., Executive Director; and David C. Murchison, Legal Adviser and Assistant to the Chairman. Also received views of former Commissioners Robert E. Freer and John Carson. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Mr. Murchison is scheduled to resume his testimony.

Joint Committee Meetings

AEC BUDGET

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with representatives of the AEC with regard to recent cuts in appropriations for the AEC construction budget. Requesting the committee's aid in restoration of certain of these appropriation cuts were Chairman Lewis L. Strauss, Commissioners John von Neumann, Thomas E. Murray, W. F. Libby, and other AEC officials.

ECONOMIC STATISTICS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee on Economic Statistics held a panel discussion to receive testimony from a task group on statistics of plant and equipment expenditure expectations, which group had been established by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, at the subcommittee's request, to evaluate statistical information available in the fields of savings, business inventories, and business and consumer expectations. Membership of this task group consists of George Terborgh, research director of the Machinery and Allied Products Institute, Washington, D. C.; Irwin Friend, University of Pennsylvania; Miles L. Colean, Washington, D. C.; William Butler, Chase National Bank; and Paul Simpson, Federal Reserve Board.

Subcommittee will meet again July 26 to hear testimony from a task group on savings statistics.

APPROPRIATIONS—LABOR-HEW

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 5046, fiscal 1956 appropriations for Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared for President bill carrying appropriations for Labor and HEW.

Senate passed numerous sundry bills, clearing some of them for President.

Minimum wage increase bill passed by House.

Numerous bills and resolutions approved by Senate committees.

New Federal-aid highway construction bill approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11003–11021

Bills Introduced: 14 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2578 to S. 2591; S. Con. Res. 49; and S. Res. 136. **Pages 11006, 11008**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 7224, fiscal 1956 appropriations for mutual security, with amendments—reported during adjournment on July 19, 1955, under prior authorization (S. Rept. 1033);

S. 2522, authorizing appropriation for conversion of merchant vessel to atomic energy propulsion (S. Rept. 1034);

S. 2523, authorizing construction of a nuclear-powered prototype merchant ship for operation in foreign commerce of U. S. (S. Rept. 1035);

S. 2081, providing that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for 12 months after they have begun their training (S. Rept. 1036);

S. 1534, to facilitate the construction of drainage works and other minor items on Federal reclamation and like projects, with amendment (S. Rept. 1037);

S. Res. 125, to extend the work of the Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee through January 31, 1956, and authorizing additional funds of $29,000 therefor (S. Rept. 1038);

S. J. Res. 73, to establish a commission to formulate plans for a memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt (S. Rept. 1039);

H. R. 4744, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1947 and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act regarding annuities, together with supplemental views (S. Rept. 1040); and

S. Res. 136, increasing by $15,000 limit of expenditures by Committee on Appropriations (no written report). Pages 11005–11006

Bills Referred: 50 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 11022–11023

Bills Re-Referred: S. Res. 133, increasing by $15,000 funds for a study by the Committee on Foreign Relations of technical assistance and related programs, was taken from calendar, and without objection, referred to Committee on Rules and Administration; and two bills (S. 2522 and 2523) respecting atomic-powered merchant ship, which had been reported today by Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce (S. Repts. 1034 and 1035), were, without objection, referred to Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. Pages 11005–11006

Authority To Report: Committees were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 11003

Indian Claims Commission: Senate passed S. 1746, continuing the Indian Claims Commission to April 10, 1959, after adopting amendment by Senator Ellender to terminate the Commission on April 10, 1959, rather than on April 10, 1962, as provided in the bill as reported. Page 11019

War Risk Insurance: Senate concurred in House amendments to and cleared for President S. 741, to extend for 5 years the marine war-risk insurance provisions of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936. Page 11023

Federal Airports: Senate concurred in House amendments to and cleared for President S. 1855, to amend the Federal Airport Act by authorizing obligation of grants under the act of $42.5 million for fiscal year 1956 and $63 million for each of fiscal years 1957–59. Page 11023

Agricultural Trade: S. 2253, to reemphasize trade development as the primary purpose of title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, was passed after adoption of Eastland amendment on behalf of committee (in the nature of a substitute). Pages 11023–11030

Armed Forces Voting: Senate passed H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise, after adopting Hennings amendment repealing certain inconsistent provisions of 56 Stat. 753, wartime voting of service personnel. Pages 11030–11032

Philippine Trade: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 6059, the Philippine Trade Agreement Revision Act of 1955. Pages 11032–11033

Government Security Commission: H. J. Res. 157, to establish a Commission on Government Security, was passed as amended by adoption of amendment by Senator Humphrey to substitute for its language the text of S. J. Res. 21, companion bill.

Senate then insisted on its amendment, asked for conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Kennedy, Humphrey, Symington, Thurmond, Smith (of Maine), Martin (of Iowa), and Cotton. Pages 11034–11035

Land Management—Oklahoma: Senate passed, with committee amendment, H. R. 4001, to provide for the management and disposition of certain public lands in Oklahoma. Page 11034

Subversive Activities Control Board: Senate passed without amendment S. 2375, to provide 5-year terms of office for members of the Subversive Activities Control Board with one of such terms expiring in each calendar year. Pages 11035–11036

Subversive Activities Control: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 4753, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 to change the standard contained therein from 2 to 3 years with respect to the past affiliation of individuals conducting the management of certain organizations. Page 11036

Public Timber and Stone: H. R. 4894, to repeal certain laws relating to timber and stone on the public domain, was passed without amendment, clearing the bill for the White House. Page 11036

Private Bills: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for White House the following five private bills: H. R. 896, 897, 902, 904, and 905. Pages 11036–11037

Navigation and Flood Control: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 4362, to amend the act authorizing construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control. Page 11037

Labor-HEW Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H. R. 5046, Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare appropriations for fiscal 1956. Pages 11037–11039

Confirmations: Nominations of Marion B. Folsom, of New York, to be Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, and of H. Chapman Rose, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury, were confirmed, along with 94 Foreign Service nominations. Pages 11050–11051

Nomination: Nomination of Dudley C. Sharp, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, was received. Page 11050

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:23 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—S. 2170, to permit sale of CCC stocks of basic and storable nonbasic agricultural commodities without restriction where similar commodities are exported in raw or processed form; H. R. 4280, relating to conveyance of certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina; S. 1621, authorizing adjustment of certain obligations of farm settlers; S. 2297, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 relating to national marketing quota for tobacco; S. 1915, regarding exchange of employees of U. S. Agriculture Department and employees of State political subdivisions or educational institutions; and S. 2573, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938;

With amendment—H. R. 3822, to extend the Mexican farm labor program authorized by Public Law 78 (82d Cong.) (amended to provide a 1½-year extension); S. 661, to authorize CCC to process food commodities for donation under certain acts; and S. 2295 and S. 2296, to amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee began hearings on H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony today as follows:

Senator Wiley, who discussed the emergency fund for international affairs;

Senator Millikin, who discussed a Bureau of Mines item;

Senator Anderson, who introduced representatives of the Atomic Energy Commission, in behalf of funds for the AEC; and

Numerous departmental officials, who testified in behalf of funds for Bureau of Employment Security of the Labor Department, Departments of Agriculture and Commerce, Small Business Administration, and the Office of Defense Mobilization.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded its hearings on military construction items in H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956. Witnesses heard were Secretary Robert T. Stevens, Maj. Gen. W. S. Lawton, Chief of Budget Division, Office of the Comptroller, Maj. Gen. Garrison H. Davidson, commandant, Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., and Brig. Gen. E. C. R. Lasher, Assistant Chief of Transportation, all of the Army; Secretary Harold E. Talbott, Assistant Secretary Lyle S. Garlock, and Maj. Gen. L. B. Washbourne, Assistant Chief of Staff for Installations, all of the Air Force; Rear Adm. J. R. Perry, Chief of Bureau of Yards and Docks, and Rear Adms. Harold P. Smith and Sherman R. Clark.

Subcommittee also heard testimony from C. R. Gutermuth, Wildlife Management Institute, whose testimony related to the Wichita National Wildlife Refuge in Oklahoma.

D. C. MATTERS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee ordered favorably reported H. R. 6259, relative to certain expense authorizations being advanced to the D. C. Armory Board, and S. 2568, to amend the act authorizing construction of Potomac River bridge to be known as the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge.

Committee referred to its Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, Welfare, and Safety for hearing S. 2576, regarding repeal of rights of franchise of Capital Transit Co. in D. C.

Committee will meet again tomorrow.

PANAMA TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported Treaty of Mutual Understanding and Cooperation Between U. S. and Panama (Exec. F, 84th Cong., 1st sess.).

Also, the committee announced that it would hold hearings on July 22 and 25 on S. Con. Res. 12, favoring the calling of an Atlantic Exploratory Convention. These hearings will be held at 10 a. m. in room 318 Senate Office Building, Friday with proponent witnesses, and Monday to hear opponents of the proposal.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—H. R. 5875, providing for involuntary retirement of Coast Guard officers; S. 1834, computation of retired pay of certain retired commissioned officers of the Coast Guard; H. R. 6043, providing for the maintenance of the Kings Point, N. Y., Merchant Marine Academy; S. 2566, to provide for compensatory absence of Coast Guard military personnel

serving at isolated aids to navigation; S. 2514, declaring a portion of the waterway of West Haven and New Haven, Conn., known as West River, a nonnavigable stream (pending favorable report from executive branch); S. 2432, to permit the use in the coastwise trade of the barge *Irrigon;* and S. 2522, authorizing appropriations for conversion of merchant vessel to atomic energy propulsion, and S. 2523, authorizing construction of a nuclear-powered prototype merchant ship for operation in foreign commerce of U. S. (bills will be referred to Joint Committee on Atomic Energy); and

The nomination of William C. Kern to be a member of the Federal Trade Commission (Senate action on nomination to be withheld pending receipt by the committee of lists of cases in which the nominee has participated, and a list of cases in which he will disqualify himself if confirmed).

The committee, by a vote of 9 to 6, ordered adversely reported the nomination of John A. Hall to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC.

Committee unanimously agreed to a motion that a resolution be submitted by Senators Magnuson and Bricker authorizing a complete study, by the Committee on Government Operations, of the matter of imposition of fees for services by Government agencies.

The committee also announced that it had agreed to accept House amendments to S. 1855, to amend the Federal Airport Act, and that the majority had reached agreement on the text of its report on S. 1853, relating to exemption of producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act.

At today's session, Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard, testified in favor of H. R. 5875, S. 1834, and S. 2566.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on the nominations of George S. Register and Ronald N. Davies, both to be U. S. district judges for the district of North Dakota.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings regarding the Dixon-Yates power contract, and had as its witness today J. Sinclair Armstrong, Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Hearings continue tomorrow.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT, VETERANS, AND COMMITTEE FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 4744, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937 and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act with regard to annuities; S. 2081, providing that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for 12 months after they have begun their training; and S. Res. 132, authorizing additional funds of $5,000 for the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

WELFARE AND PENSION FUNDS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Welfare and Pension Funds resumed its hearings, with testimony from numerous Government witnesses who discussed the relationship between their agencies and the field of welfare and pension funds. Government agencies and departments represented were Internal Revenue Service, Federal Reserve Board, NLRB, Departments of Justice, Labor, and HEW, and the Securities and Exchange Commission. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

FLOOD CONTROL AT ST. LOUIS, MO.

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors held hearings on S. 56, authorizing the construction of certain public works on the Mississippi River for protection of St. Louis, Mo., with testimony favoring the bill from the following witnesses: Senators Symington and Hennings; Col. H. W. Penney, Corps of Engineers, Army; Mayor Raymond R. Tucker, Samuel H. Liberman, city counselor, and Robert B. Brooks, consulting engineer, all of St. Louis; Morton Meyer, president, H. F. Colwell, vice president, W. W. Crowdus, secretary, and Dewey Lange, treasurer, all of St. Louis Flood Control Association; V. C. Hanna, chief engineer, Terminal Railroad Association; Aloys P. Kaufmann, president, St. Louis Chamber of Commerce; Delmond Garst, region 10, CIO; Judge Luman Matthews, supervisor, St. Louis County; Ralph Morgan, Mississippi Valley Association; Ralph W. Schmidt, president, Manufacturers Railway Co.; Hugh Waninger, Anheuser-Busch, Inc.; J. H. Harriss, Monsanto Chemical Co.; and Harvey Yeager, coordinator of expansion for Nooter Corp.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bill and resolutions:

Without amendment—S. Res. 119, increasing by $10,000 the limit of expenditures for hearings before Committee on Armed Services; S. Res. 123, authorizing additional funds of $20,000 for Committee on Agriculture and Forestry to conduct field hearings on farm price support program; S. Res. 117, increasing by $3,000 and $4,750 limit of expenditures by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; S. Res. 125, to extend the work of the Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee through January 31, 1956, and authorize additional funds of $29,000 therefor; H. Con. Res. 148, authorizing printing of 25,000 additional copies of hearings held by

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on Radiation Sterilization of Foods; S. Res. 118, authorizing printing of 1,000 additional copies of part 1 and appendix of hearings on operations and policies of civil defense program; S. J. Res. 73, to establish a commission to formulate plans for a memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt; S. Res. 128, authorizing additional funds of $10,000 for Committee on Foreign Relations; and H. Con. Res. 90, authorizing preparation and printing of report on the Prayer Room in the Capitol;

With an amendment—S. 2346, to establish a permanent committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise; and

With amendments—S. Res. 93, appointing a subcommittee to work toward the goal of world disarmament ($25,000); and S. Con. Res. 44, to erect on the Capitol Grounds a memorial bell tower in memory of Robert A. Taft.

Also, the committee approved a request for the establishment of a news photographic gallery and regulations pertaining to its operation.

SMALL BUSINESS

Select Committee on Small Business: Committee held hearings on mobilization policies as they affect small business establishments. Testimony was heard from Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, Director of ODM, who discussed Defense Mobilization Order No. 7 of August 25, 1954, and stated that it was his opinion that small business must play an important part in mobilization plans, particularly in the field of procurement of supplies items. Dr. Flemming agreed to appoint a representative of the Small Business Administration to the Defense Facilities Maintenance Board.

Subcommittee also heard testimony from Assistant Secretary of the Air Force Roger Lewis, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Raymond Fogler, and Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army Henry Marsh, who testified basically on Defense Department Directive 3005.3 of December 7, 1954, and stated that the procurement of supplies under this directive would not adversely affect the position of small business in military procurement.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H. R. 7493–7512; 10 private bills, H. R. 7513–7522; and 2 resolutions, H. J. Res. 395 and H. Con. Res. 192, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education of the D. C. (Rept. No. 1273);

H. R. 6247, amending the Bankruptcy Act as to unclaimed moneys, and repealing subdivision b of section 66 thereof (H. Rept. 1274);

H. R. 5047, to increase the compensation of trustees in bankruptcy (H. Rept. 1275);

H. R. 6914, to amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans (H. Rept. 1276);

Eight private bills, S. 197, 198, 254, 326, 714, 1014, 1337, and 550 (H. Rept. 1277–1284, respectively);

H. R. 7228, to amend title II of the act entitled "An act to authorize and direct the construction of bridges over the Potomac River" (H. Rept. 1285);

H. R. 6775, to provide for the regulation of the business of making loans of $600 or less in the District of Columbia and to regulate the pawnbroking business, amended (H. Rept. 1286);

S. 667, to exempt meeting of association of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists from a provision of the Cosmetology Act and the License Act (H. Rept. 1287);

H. R. 291, to extend the retirement income-tax credit to members of the Armed Forces, amended (H. Rept. 1288);

H. R. 542, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to income tax withheld on noncash remuneration to retail commission salesmen, amended (H. Rept. 1289);

H. R. 3437, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, to provide for a maximum manufacturer's excise tax on the leases of certain automobile utility trailers, amended (H. Rept. 1290);

H. R. 3712, relating to claims for floor stocks refunds, amended (H. Rept. 1291);

H. R. 6887, to amend section 108 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 relative to income of a railroad corporation from discharge of indebtedness (H. Rept. 1292);

H. R. 7148, income-tax exemption for certain dependents in the Republic of the Philippines (H. Rept. 1293);

S. 1210, elimination of 1-year limitation on leases for Federal agencies in D. C. (H. Rept. 1294);

S. 1166, regarding importation of livestock and poultry into the Virgin Islands (H. Rept. 1295);

H. R. 6815, to provide for the orderly disposition of property acquired under title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act (H. Rept. 1296);

H. R. 2128, to authorize the extension of patents covering inventions whose practice was prevented or curtailed during certain emergency periods by service of the patent owner in the Armed Forces, or by production controls (H. Rept. 1297);

S. 1759, relating to appropriation of Federal funds for support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico (H. Rept. 1298); and

S. 1894, to provide for the participation of the United States in the International Finance Corporation (H. Rept. 1299). Pages 11099–11100

Rubber: Passed H. R. 7301, to permit the disposal of Plancor No. 980 at Institute, W. Va. Pages 11053–11054

Labor-HEW Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 5046, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, and Health, Education, and Welfare, and related agencies for fiscal year 1956, and sent the bill to the Senate. Amendments Nos. 48, 50, 58, 59, 62, and 68 were reported in disagreement and on which the House voted to recede and concur.

Pages 11056–11063

Minimum Wage Increase: By a record vote of 362 yeas to 54 nays the House passed H. R. 7214, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act to make the minimum wage $1 an hour effective March 1, 1956. This passage was subsequently vacated and S. 2168, a similar bill, was amended to contain the House-approved text and passed by the House. The House insisted on its amendment and requested a conference with the Senate. Representatives Barden, Kelley of Pennsylvania, Powell, McConnell, and Gwinn were appointed conferees.

During the consideration of the bill the House rejected amendments designed to—

Fix the minimum wage at 90 cents an hour effective January 1, 1956;

Increase the minimum wage to $1.10 an hour effective January 1, 1956; and

Increase the minimum wage to 90 cents an hour effective January 1, 1956, and to again increase it to $1 an hour effective January 1, 1957. Pages 11063–11088

Bills Referred: Two Senate passed bills were referred to appropriate committee. Page 11098

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:02 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: A subcommittee, appointed to draw up a comprehensive sugar bill for reporting to the full committee, met on that subject today. Will resume tomorrow (10 a. m.) prior to an executive meeting of the full committee at 11 a. m.

NAVAL AIR STATION, LOUISIANA

Committee on Armed Services: The Durham subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 5625, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Navy to convey certain lands in the U. S. Navy air station, Houma, La.

ROCKET LAUNCHERS

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert subcommittee held a hearing today in connection with production of rocket launchers by the Department of the Air Force. Witnesses testifying were Brig. Gen. C. H. Mitchell, Wright Air Development Center, Dayton, Ohio; and J. R. Powell and Robert Beck, of the Air Materiel Command, Dayton, Ohio. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

CHARLESTON (S. C.) PROPERTY

Committee on Armed Services: The Kilday subcommittee held a hearing on H. R. 2430, to release certain restrictions on certain real property heretofore granted to the city of Charleston, S. C. Heard testimony from officials of the Department of the Army, and representatives of the West Virginia Power & Paper Co. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered reported to the House S. 1894, to provide for U. S. participation in the International Finance Corporation.

D. C. LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 7228, transferring from the Department of the Interior to the Department of Commerce the jurisdiction and authorization of constructing a bridge over the Potomac River at or near Jones Point, Va.;

S. 667, to exempt meetings of associations of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists from certain provisions of law such as licensing, examination, etc.; and

S. 1289, to establish a family court for the District of Columbia, having jurisdiction over domestic relations, divorce, and adoption.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Held further executive consideration of H. R. 7152, to authorize Federal assistance to States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms. Will resume on same subject tomorrow morning.

STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held further public hearings today on H. J. Res. 309, and similar resolutions, providing for revision of the Status of Forces Agreement so that foreign countries will not have criminal jurisdiction over American Armed Forces personnel stationed within their boundaries. Yesterday's witnesses continued at the session, as follows—Robert Murphy, Dep-

uty Under Secretary of State; Wilber M. Brucker, General Counsel, Department of Defense; and J. Lee Rankin, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice. They are scheduled to return for further testimony tomorrow morning.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: A. R. Seder, vice president, Association of American Railroads, returned for questioning today before the Mollohan subcommittee, which heard his testimony yesterday regarding the tax amortization program as it relates to railroad financing. Recessed until tomorrow morning when Joel Dean, an economic consultant, of Cleveland, Ohio, is scheduled to testify.

CHEESE

Committee on Government Operations: Officials of the Department of Agriculture resumed testimony today before the Fountain subcommittee, which is conducting a study relative to cheese transactions entered into by the Commodity Credit Corporation under departmental regulation. The witnesses, who are scheduled for subcommittee questioning tomorrow morning, were Don Anderson, Director of the Livestock and Dairy Division; and Edward M. Shulman and George E. Cooper, of the Office of General Counsel.

CIVIL DEFENSE—WISCONSIN LAND

Committee on Government Operations: The Brooks (Texas) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 7227, to make civil defense organizations eligible to receive property declared surplus by Government agencies; and H. R. 6857, to authorize the General Services Administrator to convey certain land to the city of Milwaukee, Wis.

SOUTHWEST ELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff subcommittee continued its hearings to review action of the Department of the Interior, and related agencies, in the sale of electric power from Federal dams in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, and Louisiana. Testifying today were Senator Monroney, of Oklahoma; and Dr. Henry Blalock, formerly with the Southwest Power Administration, and now representing co-ops from that area. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

TERRITORIES AND POSSESSIONS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The O'Brien (New York) subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—

H. R. 5299, to authorize the establishment of the Virgin Islands National Park;

H. R. 6162, to provide for longer terms of office for the justices of the supreme court and the circuit courts of Hawaii;

H. R. 6461, to amend section 73 (i) of the Hawaiian Organic Act, relating to land assessments in irrigation projects;

H. R. 6463, to ratify and confirm section 4539, Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945, section 1 (b), act 12, Session Laws of Hawaii, 1951, and the sales of public lands consummated pursuant to the terms of said statutes;

H. R. 6807, to authorize the amendment of certain patents of Government lands containing restrictions as to use of such lands in the Territory of Hawaii;

H. R. 6808, to amend section 73 (l) of the Hawaiian Organic Act relating to sales of tracts and lots;

H. R. 6824, a private bill; and

H. R. 7058, to amend the Hawaiian Organic Act in respect of the compensation of supreme court and circuit court judges.

MINERALS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Rogers (Texas) subcommittee held further hearings today on H. R. 7145, encouraging the discovery, development, and production of tin in the United States, its Territories and possessions; and S. 748, to prohibit the United States from acquiring mineral interests in lands acquired by it, except when necessary to serve the purpose for which such lands are acquired. Witnesses heard on H. R. 7145 were Spencer Shannon, Director of Minerals Mobilization, Department of the Interior; and Ralph Lomen, director of Alaskan Miners Association, and chairman of its tin committee. Testifying in opposition to S. 748 were Max Elliott, General Counsel, General Services Administration; Fred Poorman, Deputy Commissioner, Public Building Service, GSA; Brig. Gen. Keith R. Barney, Director of Installations, Office of Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics (Army); Elmo Ceconi, Chief, Real Estate Division, Department of Air Force; Wilfred Tiencken, Bureau of Yards and Docks, U. S. Navy; Lawson B. Knott, Real Estate Division, Office of Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

SECURITIES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Klein subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 5701, to authorize the Securities and Exchange Commission to provide for exemptions in the case of certain classes of securities. Received testimony from Representative Bennett of Michigan, author of the bill; J. Sinclair Armstrong, Chairman of the Securities Exchange Commission, and two other SEC officials—Byron B. Woodside, Director, Division of Corporation Finance, and Manuel F. Cohen, Division of Corporation Finance. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

REFRIGERATOR DOORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Carlyle subcommittee began hearings on H. R. 2181,

to require safety closing devices on the doors of household refrigerators shipped in interstate commerce. Members of the House who testified on the subject were Representative Roberts, author of the bill; and Representatives Rains and Mack (Illinois). Other witnesses heard were Silas A. Morehouse, president, Silok, Inc., Alexandria, Va.; F. J. Hausfeld, representing the National Electric Manufacturers Association of New York, who was accompanied by other association members; and John H. Pratt, counsel, Air-Conditioning and Refrigerating Institute, Washington, D. C. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

TEXAS CITY DISASTER—IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported to the House S. 1077, amended in the nature of a substitute, providing for settlement of claims for damages resulting from the disaster which occurred at Texas City, Tex., on April 16 and 17, 1947. Also ordered reported 3 private immigration bills (2 of the House and 1 of the Senate), and tabled 1 private immigration bill of the House.

MARITIME PROBLEMS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Concluded public hearings in connection with its study of maritime labor-management problems. Today's witness was Thomas W. Gleason, director of organization, International Longshoremen's Association (Independent), who was accompanied by counsel. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to consider H. R. 7279 and 7471, Coast Guard bills, and two bills relating to Federal sale of ships.

WATER MAIL ROUTES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Fascell subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4569, to remove inland water route contracts for delivery of mail from the application of provisions of law pertaining to the renewal of and adjustment of compensation under star route contracts for carrying mail on water routes. Witnesses heard on the proposal were Representative Gubser, author of the measure; two officials of the Post Office Department—William P. Crater, Assistant Director of Highway Transportation, Bureau of Transportation; and Wendell W. Campbell, Chief, Legislative Division, Office of Solicitor; and Ralph B. Dewey, Washington representative of the Pacific-American Steamship Association.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Public Works: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 7474, the Federal-aid highway construction bill, retaining the four new changes in its tax provisions, as follows—

To extend the various taxes outlined in the bill 1 more year;

To exempt recapped tires of less than a 6-inch crowned width from tax;

To cut the tax on diesel fuel for trucks and buses from 3 cents to 2 cents; and

To exempt mainly local transit companies from gas-tire taxes.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Began public hearings on miscellaneous bills to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act (S. 890, H. R. 414, 3426, 5296, 5369, and 5897). Witnesses heard today were Mark D. Hollis, Chief Engineer, Public Health Service; and Vinton W. Bacon, executive officer, California State Water Pollution Control Board. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECT

Committee on Rules: Considered a rule on H. R. 3383, relating to upper Colorado River storage projects. Heard Representatives Engle and Aspinall in connection with the proposal. Met in executive session on the rule request and recessed until tomorrow (10:30 a. m.).

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Rules: Announced that a rule will be considered next Tuesday morning on H. R. 6645, to amend the Natural Gas Act.

VETERANS' HOUSING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Edmundson Subcommittee on Housing began a study into alleged irregularities, in El Paso, Tex., of housing provisions guaranteed under the GI bill of rights. Testifying today was Harry O. Rearick, partner in the firm of DeWitt & Rearick, of El Paso, Tex. He is scheduled to return for further testimony tomorrow morning.

BONDED LIQUORS

Committee on Ways and Means: Announced that hearings have been scheduled for next Tuesday morning on H. R. 5367, to authorize the determination of Federal taxes on distilled spirits when they are withdrawn from internal revenue bonded warehouses without regard to the date of original entry for deposit.

FEDERAL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Evins subcommittee continued hearings today on its current study of organization procedures of the Federal regulatory commissions and agencies. Witnesses testifying were Robert Secrest, Federal Trade Commissioner; George J. Burger, vice president, National Federation of Independent Business; Stephen J. Spingarn, former Federal Trade Commissioner; and David C. Murchison,

Legal Adviser and Assistant to Chairman, FTC. Recessed until tomorrow morning when FTC officials are scheduled to continue.

Joint Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported a clean bill entitled "Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955." The committee also approved two reports from its Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation on Atomic Energy Commission's agreements with the United Kingdom, Canada, and Belgium, and Defense Department agreements with the United Kingdom and Canada.

The committee referred to its Subcommittee on Research and Development for hearings, S. 2522, S. 2523, H. R. 6679, and H. R. 7360, bills authorizing an atomic-powered ship.

In a morning executive session, the Subcommittee on Community Disposal approved for full committee action the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955.

RESERVE FORCES

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces, but made no announcements and will meet again tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed numerous sundry bills, clearing several for President.

House cleared for President bill extending Renegotiation Act, and passed bills amending Communications Act and extending domestic minerals program.

Senate committees approved numerous bills and nominations.

Bill authorizing construction of upper Colorado River storage projects approved for House debate by Rules Committee.

Conferees filed report on Reserve Forces bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 12 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2592 to S. 2603; S. J. Res. 93; and S. Res. 137. Page 11117

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

During adjournment on July 20, under prior authorization:

S. 1915, regarding exchange of employees of U. S. Agriculture Department and employees of State political subdivisions or educational institutions (S. Rept. 1041);

S. 1621, authorizing adjustment of certain obligations of farm settlers (S. Rept. 1042);

S. 2297, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 relating to national marketing quota for tobacco (S. Rept. 1043);

S. 2296 and S. 2295, to amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments, with amendment (S. Repts. 1044 and 1046, respectively);

H. R. 3822, to extend the Mexican farm labor program authorized by Public Law 78 of 82d Congress, with amendment (S. Rept. 1045);

S. 2170, to permit sale of CCC stocks of basic and storable nonbasic agricultural commodities without restriction where similar commodities are exported in raw or processed form (S. Rept. 1047);

H. R. 4280, relating to conveyance of certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina (S. Rept. 1048);

S. 661, to authorize CCC to process food commodities for donation under certain acts (S. Rept. 1049);

H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, with amendments (S. Rept. 1050);

Agreement for cooperation concerning civil uses of atomic energy with Belgium, Canada, and Great Britain (S. Rept. 1051);

Agreement for cooperation regarding atomic information for mutual-defense purposes with Canada and Great Britain (S. Rept. 1052);

H. Con. Res. 90, authorizing preparation and printing of report on the Prayer Room in the Capitol (no written report);

H. Con. Res. 148, authorizing printing of 25,000 additional copies of hearings held by Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on Radiation Sterilization of Foods (no written report);

S. Res. 117, increasing by $3,000 and $4,750 limit of expenditures by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs (no written report);

S. Res. 118, authorizing printing of 1,000 additional copies of part 1 and appendix of hearings on operations and policies of civil-defense program (no written report);

S. Res. 119, increasing by $10,000 the limit of expenditures for hearings before Committee on Armed Services (no written report);

S. Res. 123, authorizing additional funds of $20,000 for Committee on Agriculture and Forestry to conduct field hearings on farm price support program (no written report);

S. Res. 128, authorizing additional funds of $10,000 for Committee on Foreign Relations (no written report);

Reported today:

S. 2346, to establish a permanent committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise, with amendment (S. Rept. 1053);

S. Con. Res. 44, to erect on the Capitol Grounds a memorial bell tower in memory of Robert A. Taft, with amendments (S. Rept. 1054);

S. Res. 93, appointing a subcommittee to work toward the goal of world disarmament, with amendments (S. Rept. 1055);

S. 1834, computation of retired pay of certain retired commissioned officers of the Coast Guard (S. Rept. 1056);

S. 2432, to permit the use in the coastwise trade of the barge *Irrigon* (S. Rept. 1057);

H. R. 5875, providing for involuntary retirement of Coast Guard officers (S. Rept. 1058);

H. R. 4044, private bill (S. Rept. 1059);

H. J. Res. 359, designating October 22, 1955, as National Olympic Day (S. Rept. 1060);

S. Con. Res. 40, designating period September 17–23, 1955, as Constitution Week (S. Rept. 1061);

H. Con. Res. 50, commemorating 200th anniversary of the Acadian Migration (S. Rept. 1062);

S. 463, authorizing issuance of commemorative medals in observance of 250th anniversary of birth of Benjamin Franklin, with amendments (S. Rept. 1063);

H. R. 2949, private bill (S. Rept. 1064);

S. 1683, to amend act limiting boundaries of the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona (S. Rept. 1065);

S. 1194, providing for construction of Red Willow Dam and Reservoir, Nebr., as a unit of Missouri River Basin project, with amendment (S. Rept. 1066);

S. 730, compact between Kansas and Oklahoma for waters of Arkansas River, with amendments (S. Rept. 1067);

S. 2566, to provide for compensatory absence of Coast Guard military personnel serving at isolated aids to navigation, with amendments (S. Rept. 1068);

H. R. 6259, relative to certain expense authorizations being advanced to the D. C. Armory Board, with amendment (S. Rept. 1069);

S. 2568, to amend the act authorizing construction of Potomac River bridge to be known as the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge, with amendment (S. Rept. 1070);

S. 926, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Ventura River reclamation project, California, with amendment (S. Rept. 1071);

S. 1689, authorizing execution of repayment contract with Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Gila project, Arizona, with amendments (S. Rept. 1072);

S. 2442, to provide for Federal cooperation in non-Federal projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal projects, with amendments and with individual views (S. Rept. 1073);

S. 2603, to provide housing for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (S. Rept. 1074);

S. 1261, conveyance of certain lands to New Jersey Turnpike Authority (S. Rept. 1075);

H. R. 2150, adjustments in dates of rank of certain Army and Air Force nurses and women medical specialists (S. Rept. 1076);

H. R. 4106, to authorize the crediting, for certain purposes, of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under section 101 or 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947 (S. Rept. 1077);

H. R. 4218, authorizing the loan of certain military equipment to the Girl Scouts (S. Rept. 1078);

H. R. 4717, authorizing Secretary of Army to quitclaim all rights, title, and interest of the U. S. to certain lands in the village of Sag Harbor, N. Y. (S. Rept. 1079);

H. R. 4886, provides that active service in the Army and Air Force shall be included in determining the eligibility for retirement of commissioned officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard with 20 years of service (S. Rept. 1080);

H. R. 6277, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 concerning transportation and storage of household goods (S. Rept. 1081);

H. R. 7194, to amend the Career Compensation Act regarding subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel (S. Rept. 1082);

H. J. Res. 251, private bill (S. Rept. 1083);

H. R. 2107, providing additional facilities for the administration and training of Reserve components of the armed services, with amendment (S. Rept. 1084);

H. R. 2109, Navy and Marine Corps Officers Augmentation Act, with amendment (S. Rept. 1085);

S. 2351, conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Va. (S. Rept. 1086);

S. 2513, authorizing sale of Welles Village war housing project in Glastonbury, Conn., with amendments (S. Rept. 1087);

H. R. 5512, conveyance of certain property under jurisdiction of HHFA to State of Louisiana, with amendment (S. Rept. 1088);

H. R. 6980, providing for conveyance of Old Colony project to the Boston Housing Authority, with amendment (S. Rept. 1089); and

S. Res. 137, increasing by $20,000 limit of expenditures of Committee on the Judiciary (Subcommittee on Improvements in Federal Criminal Code) (no written report). Pages 11113, 11116–11117

Resolution Re-Referred: S. Res. 136, increasing by $15,000 limit of expenditures by Committee on Appropriations, was, by unanimous consent, taken from calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 11119

Atomic Energy Communities: Joint Committee on Atomic Energy was authorized to file report by the afternoon of July 25 on the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955. Page 11121

Authority To Report: All committees were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 11120

U. S. Marshals: Senate passed without amendment S. 2592, increasing mileage allowance for U. S. marshals from 7 cents to 10 cents per mile. Pages 11120–11121

Navigation and Flood Control: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for White House H. R. 4362, to amend the act authorizing construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control. Pages 11120, 11134

Missouri River Projects: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 2093, authorizing the granting of certain property damages as a result of construction of the Oahe, Gavins Point, and Fort Randall Dams and reservoir projects, Missouri River. Pages 11134–11135

Massachusetts Waterway: H. R. 2866, declaring a portion of Acushnet River in Massachusetts a nonnavigable stream, was passed without amendment, clearing the bill for President. Page 11135

Private Bill: S. 1851, a private bill, was passed with committee amendment Pages 11135–11136

Amite River, La.: S. 1899, to authorize improvement of the Amite River, La., was passed with committee amendment. Page 11136

Red River Compact: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 2260, granting consent to Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to a compact on the Red River. Page 11136

Lake O' the Osages: S. 2029, changing name of Hulah Dam and Reservoir to "Lake O' the Osages," was passed with committee amendments. Page 11136

Scrip Recordation: Senate passed with committee amendments H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights. Page 11137

Exchange of Agriculture Employees: S. 1915, regarding exchange of employees of State political subdivisions or educational institutions, was passed without amendment. Pages 11137–11138

Reclamation: Senate concurred in House amendments to and cleared for President S. 1177, for the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating water for reclamation. Page 11138

Indian Land Leases, Arizona: Senate disagreed to House amendments to S. 34, long-term leasing of restricted Indian lands in Arizona for certain purposes, agreed to hold conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators O'Mahoney, Anderson, Neuberger, Watkins, and Goldwater. Page 11143

Minimum Wage Increase: Senate disagreed to House amendments to S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 by increasing the national minimum hourly wage from 75 cents to $1, agreed to hold conference asked by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Douglas, Neely, Kennedy, Smith (New Jersey), and Goldwater. Page 11144

Mutual Security Appropriations: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 7224, fiscal 1956 appropriations for mutual security. Page 11138

Treaty Reported: Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation between U. S. and Federal Republic of Germany, together with protocol and two exchanges of notes relating thereto, signed at Washington on October 29, 1954 (Exec. E, 84th Cong., 1st sess.), was reported (Ex. Rept. 10). Page 11144

Confirmation: Nomination of William C. Kern, of Indiana, to be Federal Trade Commissioner, was confirmed. Page 11144

Adjournment: Adjourned at 2:09 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony today on the following items:

On International Boundary and Water Commission, U. S. and Mexico—Senator Daniel, Arthur Perry, administrative assistant to Senator Johnson (Texas), and Representative Kilgore;

On housing items—Senator Sparkman;

On various Interior Department items—Senator O'Mahoney, Representative Flood, and various departmental witnesses;

On emergency fund for international affairs—Theodore C. Streibert, Director, USIA; Herbert Hoover, Jr., Acting Secretary of State; and Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce;

On general Government matters, D. C. Auditorium Commission—Representative Thompson (New Jersey); and representatives of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, and the President's Committee on Veterans' Pensions; and

On independent offices—with representatives of Federal Civil Defense Administration, GSA, HHFA, National Security Training Commission, and Selective Service System.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—H. R. 4886, provides that active service in the Army and Air Force shall be included in determining the eligibility for retirement of commissioned officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard with 20 years of service; H. R. 4218, authorizing the loan of certain military equipment to the Girl Scouts; H. J. Res. 251, a private bill; H. R. 4717, authorizing Secretary of Army to quitclaim all rights, title, and interest of the U. S. to certain lands in the village of Sag Harbor, N. Y.; H. R. 2150, adjustments in dates of rank of certain Army and Air Force nurses and women medical specialists; H. R. 4106, to authorize the crediting, for certain purposes, of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under section 101 or 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947; H. R. 6277, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 concerning transportation and storage of household goods; H. R. 7194, to amend the Career Compensation Act regarding subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel; and a clean bill, S. 2603, to provide housing for the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff;

With amendment—H. R. 2107, providing additional facilities for the administration and training of Reserve components of the armed services; H. R. 2109, Navy and Marine Corps Officers Augmentation Act; and S. 1261, conveyance of certain lands to New Jersey Turnpike Authority; and

The nomination of Reuben Buck Robertson, of Ohio, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense (on condition that he dispose of certain stockholdings), and 964 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

The committee also approved a subcommittee report on the operation of Article VII, NATO Status of Forces Treaty.

Prior to approval of the above bills, testimony was heard from the following witnesses: On H. R. 2109 and H. R. 4886—Vice Adm. J. L. Holloway, Jr., Chief of Bureau of Personnel, Navy; on H. R. 4818 and H. J. Res. 251—Col. John Davis, Office of Assistant Chief of Staff, G–1, Army; on S. 1261 and H. R. 4717—Milton A. Pearl, Office of Chief of Engineers, Army; on H. R. 2150 and H. R. 4106—Col. Verena Zeller, Chief of Air Force Nurse Corps; on H. R. 6277—Col. George Russell, Office of Chief of Army Transportation; and on H. R. 7194—J. R. Loftis, Office of General Counsel, Defense Department.

Committee also considered, but agreed to withhold action for further study, H. R. 5623, to authorize the nomination of certain members of the Civil Air Patrol as cadets at the U. S. Air Force Academy. Testimony on this bill was heard from Maj. Gen. Lucas V. Beau, national commander, Civil Air Patrol, and Lt. Col. J. B. Caulfield, both of the Air Force.

BANK HOLDING COMPANIES AND HOUSING

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

With amendments—S. 2577, to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests, S. 2513, authorizing sale of Welles Village war housing project in Glastonbury, Conn., and S. 463, authorizing issuance of commemorative medals in observance of 250th anniversary of birth of Benjamin Franklin;

With an amendment—H. R. 5512, conveyance of certain property under jurisdiction of HHFA to State of Louisiana, and H. R. 6980, providing for conveyance of Old Colony project to the Boston Housing Authority; and

Without amendment—S. 2351, authorizing conveyance of certain war-housing projects to city of Norfolk, Va.

D. C. CAPITAL TRANSIT CO.

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Health, Education, Welfare, and Safety held hearings on S. 2576, to amend the joint resolution to authorize the merger of street-railway corporations operating in D. C., and S. 2597, to terminate for 1 year

the franchise rights of the Capital Transit Co. in D. C., and to authorize D. C. Commissioners to provide public transportation for such year. Testimony on these proposals was heard from Samuel Spencer, President, and Robert E. McLaughlin, member, both of Board of Commissioners of D. C.; Brig. Gen. Thomas A. Lane, Engineer Commissioner for D. C.; Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; Lloyd Harrison, Assistant Corporation Counsel; J. A. B. Broadwater, president, and Edmund L. Jones, counsel, both of Capital Transit Co.; Walter J. Bierwagen, president, accompanied by Bernard Cushman, counsel, both of local division 689, Amalgamated Association of Street, Electrical Railway, and Motor Coach Employees of America, AFL; J. C. Turner, vice president, Washington Central Labor Union; and E. Erwin Dollar, Associated Taxicab Operators, Inc.

Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Harry Lee Walker to be a member of the municipal court of D. C.

SURVIVORS' BENEFITS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, discussed, but did not complete consideration of, H. R. 7089, to provide benefits for the survivors of servicemen and veterans.

POSTPONEMENT OF HEARING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee announced postponement until July 25 of its hearing originally scheduled for July 22 on S. Con. Res. 12, favoring the calling of an Atlantic Exploratory Convention.

FEDERAL PROPERTY ACT

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Reorganization, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee without amendment S. 2364, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, regarding historical records, and S. 2591, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 with respect to utilization and disposal of excess and surplus property under the control of executive agencies (in lieu of S. 2367, a related bill).

COMMUNICATIONS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Communications Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 1456, to amend the Communications Act of 1934, relating to the regulation of common carriers, and S. 1648, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 regarding protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing.

WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT FACILITIES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Aviation held hearings on the problem of additional airport facilities for Washington, D. C. Witnesses heard were Senator Butler; Nathan Calkins, CAB; Louis S. Rothschild, Under Secretary of Commerce for Transportation, accompanied by F. B. Lee, CAA Administrator; Larry Cates, Capt. C. E. Beatley, Capt. Barton Hewitt, and J. D. Smith, all of Air Line Pilots Association; and J. D. Durand, Craig F. Timmerman, Stanley L. Seltzer, and Frank B. Brady, all of Air Transport Association of America.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on the Dixon-Yates power contract, hearing testimony today from Kenneth E. Fields, General Manager, and R. W. Cook, Deputy General Manager, both of the AEC. Hearings continue Tuesday, July 26.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—H. J. Res. 359, designating October 22, 1955, as National Olympic Day; H. Con. Res. 50, commemorating 200th anniversary of the Acadian Migration; S. Con. Res. 40, designating period September 17–23, 1955, as Constitution Week; an original resolution (S. Res. 137) increasing by $20,000 the limit of expenditures by the Committee on the Judiciary (Subcommittee on Improvements in Federal Criminal Code); H. R. 4044, a private claim bill; and H. R. 2949, a private immigration bill; and

The nominations of John R. Brown, of Texas, to be U. S. circuit judge, fifth circuit, Luman N. Nevels, Jr., to be judge of third circuit court, Territory of Hawaii, and Ronald N. Davies and George S. Register to be U. S. district judges for district of North Dakota.

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on S. 212, a private bill.

CANADIAN BONDED LABORERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor began hearings on S. Res. 98, authorizing committee to investigate importation of bonded laborers from Canada. Testimony was heard from Senator Smith of Maine; Representative Merrow; Samuel E. Angoff, of Grant & Angoff, Boston; Philip E. Smyth, of Berlin, N. H., and Cecil V. Crawford, of Lancaster, N. H., both representing International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite, and Paper Mill Workers; and Harry Parr, president, New Hampshire State Federation of Labor. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TVA

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors held hearings on S. 2373,

to amend the TVA Act of 1933 with regard to issuance and sale of bonds. Testimony was heard from Gen. Herbert B. Vogel, Chairman, and Raymond R. Paty, Manager, both of the Board of Directors, G. O. Wessenauer, Manager of the Power Program, Joseph C. Swidler, General Counsel, and A. G. Wagner, General Manager, all of the Tennessee Valley Authority. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 20 public bills, H. R. 7523–7542; 4 private bills, H. R. 7543–7546; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 396 and 397, and H. Res. 310–313, were introduced.

Pages 11174, 11192–11194

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 2729 and 4321, private bills (H. Rept. 1300 and 1301, respectively);

S. 1289, to establish a domestic relations branch in the municipal court for the District of Columbia, amended (H. Rept. 1302);

H. R. 4579, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to repeal the duty on crude silica, amended (H. Rept. 1303);

H. R. 6299, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 as it relates to unmanufactured mica and mica splittings, amended (H. Rept. 1304);

S. 1077, to provide for the settlement of claims for damages resulting from the disaster which occurred at Texas City, Tex., on April 16 and 17, 1947, amended (H. Rept. 1305);

H. R. 6886, to amend the act entitled "An Act to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes" (H. Rept. 1306);

H. R. 6999, to amend section 1321 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, relating to involuntary liquidation of LIFO inventories, amended (H. Rept. 1307);

H. R. 7024, to remove the manufacturers excise tax from sales of certain component parts and on certain radio and television apparatus, amended (H. Rept. 1308);

H. J. Res. 385, to authorize printing and binding of revised edition of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives and providing that same shall be subject to author's copyright (H. Rept. 1309);

H. Con. Res. 190, authorizing the printing as a House document of the manuscript entitled "The House of Representatives" (H. Rept. 1310);

H. Con. Res. 161, providing for the printing of the song, "Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag," as a House document (H. Rept. 1311);

H. Res. 272, providing funds for a select committee's study of White County Bridge Commission's financial position (H. Rept. 1312);

H. Res. 306, authorizing appropriations of $65,000 for expenses of H. Res. 262 (H. Rept. 1313);

H. Res. 310, to authorize expenditure of certain funds for the expenses of the Special Committee To Investigate Tax-Exempt Foundations (H. Rept. 1314);

Seventeen private bills, H. R. 1162, 1193, 1198, 1319, 1323, 1641, 1657, 1666, 1908, 2054, 2072, 2079, 2796, 2897, 3265, 4612, and 5908 (H. Repts. 1315–1331, respectively);

H. Res. 311, providing for the consideration of and 4 hours debate on H. R. 3383, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Colorado River storage project and participating projects (H. Rept. 1332);

H. Res. 312, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5222, to amend the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard (H. Rept. 1333);

H. Res. 313, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 4006, to provide that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for 12 months after they have begun their training (H. Rept. 1334);

Conference report on H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces (H. Rept. 1335);

H. R. 7474, the Federal-aid highway construction bill (H. Rept. 1336);

S. 1187, to amend section 5221 of the Revised Statutes, relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks (H. Rept. 1337);

H. R. 6198, to provide for the sale of certain war housing projects to the Housing Authority of Beaver County, Pa., for use in providing rental housing for persons of limited income (H. Rept. 1338);

H. R. 6199, to amend the act of October 14, 1940, to authorize the sale of personal property held in connection with housing under such act (H. Rept. 1339);

H. R. 6298, to permit transfer of war housing projects to the city of Moses Lake, Wash., and to other communities similarly situated (H. Rept. 1340);

H. R. 7073, to authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Va. (H. Rept. 1341);

H. R. 7244, to provide for the issuance of medals in commemoration of the 120th anniversary of the signing of the Texas declaration of independence and the battles

of the Alamo, Goliad, and San Jacinto (H. Rept. 1342); and

H. R. 7470, to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended (H. Rept. 1343). Pages 11192–11193

Renegotiation Act Extension: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 4904, to extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years, and thus cleared the bill for the President. Pages 11147–11148

Taxes: Considered and passed the following bills from the Committee on Ways and Means:

Armed Forces: H. R. 291, to extend the retirement income-tax credit to members of the Armed Forces (with a committee amendment).

Salesmen: H. R. 542, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to income tax withheld on noncash remuneration to retail commission salesmen (with a committee amendment).

Auto trailers: H. R. 3437, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, to provide for a maximum manufacturers' excise tax on the leases of certain automobile utility trailers (with a committee amendment).

Gasoline: H. R. 3712, relating to claims for floor stocks refunds (with a committee amendment).

Railroad corporation: H. R. 6887, to amend section 108 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 relative to income of a railroad from discharge of indebtedness.

Philippine dependents: H. R. 7148, income-tax exemption for certain dependents in the Republic of the Philippines. Pages 11148–11151

ROTC Flight Training: Adopted a committee amendment and passed H. R. 5738, to authorize flight instruction during Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs. Pages 11151–11152

Private Bills: H. R. 3281 and 3359, both private bills, were cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. Page 11152

Radio and Television Authorizations: By a division vote of 77 yeas to 10 nays the House passed H. R. 5614, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 in regard to protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing. Five committee amendments were adopted.

H. Res. 300, the rule for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted previously. Pages 11152–11162

Domestic Minerals Program: Adopted amendments and passed H. R. 6373, amending the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals.

H. Res. 301, the rule under which the bill was considered, had been adopted earlier. Pages 11152, 11162–11172

Government Security Commission: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. J. Res. 157, to establish a Commission on Government Security; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Celler, Walter, and Keating. Page 11172

Oklahoma Land Management: H. R. 4001, to provide for the management and disposition of certain public lands in Oklahoma, was cleared for the White House by House concurrence in Senate amendment thereto. Page 11173

Administrative Resolutions: Considered and adopted the following resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

Cannon's Procedure: H. J. Res. 385, to authorize printing and binding of revised edition of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives and providing that same shall be subject to author's copyright.

House of Representatives: H. Con. Res. 190, authorizing the printing as a House document of the manuscript entitled "The House of Representatives."

Song: H. Con. Res. 161, providing for the printing of the song, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, as a House document.

Investigation: H. Res. 272, providing funds for a select committee's study of White County Bridge Commission's financial position.

Printing investigation: H. Res. 306, authorizing appropriations of $65,000 for expenses of inquiry into Federal printing and binding authorized by H. Res. 262.

Tax-exempt foundations: H. Res. 310, to authorize expenditure of certain funds for the expenses of the Special Committee To Investigate Tax-Exempt Foundations. Pages 11173–11174

Judiciary: The Committee on the Judiciary was granted permission to meet during the sessions of Congress of the next week. Page 11181

Late Reports: Permission to file reports subsequent to adjournment of the House on today was granted to the following committees:

Committee on Banking and Currency;
Committee on Rules; and
Committee on Ways and Means.

Pages 11162, 11172–11173, 11179

Bills Referred: Three Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 11191

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:38 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Agriculture: Voted 24 to 7 to report to the House, with amendments, H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948.

RICE

Committee on Agriculture: The Thompson (Texas) subcommittee discussed the subject of rice today with

Harry Hunter, American Cornmillers Federation, Chicago, Ill.; and J. A. Satterfield, grain marketing specialist, Commodity Stabilization Service.

BANKS—DEFENSE PRODUCTION—HOUSING—MEDALS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

S. 1187, relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks;

S. 1189, to permit banks to make 20-year real-estate loans, and 9-month construction loans.

H. R. 7470, a clean bill, which will supersede H. R. 7170, to extend the Defense Production Act;

H. R. 6198, to provide for the sale of certain war housing projects to the Housing Authority of Beaver County, Pa., for use in providing rental housing for persons of limited income;

H. R. 6199, to authorize the sale of personal property held in connection with housing under the Lanham Act;

H. R. 6298, to permit transfer of war housing projects to the city of Moses Lake, Wash., and to other communities similarly situated, under the Lanham Act;

H. R. 7073, to authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Va.;

H. R. 7244, to provide for the striking of medals in commemoration of the 120th anniversary of the signing of the Texas Declaration of Independence and the Battles of the Alamo, Goliad, and San Jacinto in the year 1836; and

H. J. Res. 278, to provide that a gold medal be coined and presented to Dr. Jonas E. Salk, in honor of his achievements in the field of medicine.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Authorized introduction of a clean bill (H. R. 7535) which will supersede the amended version of H. R. 7152, to authorize Federal assistance to States and local communities in financing an expanded program of school construction so as to eliminate the national shortage of classrooms. Will consider the new measure in an executive session tomorrow morning.

STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Resumed public hearings on H. J. Res. 309, and similar resolutions, providing for revision of the Status of Forces Agreement so that foreign countries will not have criminal jurisdiction over American Armed Forces personnel stationed within their boundaries. Witnesses heard at this session were Robert Murphy, Deputy Under Secretary of State; Wilber M. Brucker, General Counsel, Department of Defense; J. Lee Rankin, Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice; Raymond Y. Yingling, Office of Legal Adviser, Department of State; and Brig. Gen. George W. Hickman, Jr., Assistant Judge Advocate General, Department of the Army. Recessed until Tuesday.

FOREIGN SERVICE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The ad hoc subcommittee met executively today on H. R. 2097, making increases in annuities of annuitants under the Foreign Service retirement and disability system.

SOUTHWEST ELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff subcommittee resumed its hearings to review actions of the Department of the Interior, and related agencies, in the sale of electric power from Federal dams in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, and Louisiana. Testimony was received today from Dr. Henry Blalock, formerly with the Southwest Power Administration, and now representing co-ops from that area. He will continue next Tuesday morning.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan subcommittee held further hearings today in connection with its study of tax amortization. Heard a discourse on the relation of accelerated amortization to capital expenditures of railways, from Joel Dean, economic and management consultant, Yonkers, N. Y., and professor of business economics at Columbia University.

BRANCATO DEPORTATION CASE

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee its report on practices and procedures of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in deportation proceedings (relating to the case of Francesco Brancato, of Cleveland, Ohio).

CHEESE

Committee on Government Operations: The Fountain subcommittee heard further testimony from representatives of the Department of Agriculture at today's session. The subcommittee is currently studying certain cheese transactions entered into by the Commodity Credit Corporation under departmental regulation. Appearing for the third consecutive day were Don Anderson, Director of the Livestock and Dairy Division; and Edward M. Shulman and George E. Cooper, of the Office of General Counsel.

COLVILLE INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee heard testimony today on H. R. 6154 and

7190, restoring to tribal ownership certain lands upon the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash. Testimony was received from Representatives Horan and Magnuson, authors of the respective measures; H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Lewis Sigler, Office of the Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Floyd H. Phillips, superintendent, Colville Indian Reservation; Lyle Keith, attorney, Colville Confederated Tribes; and Harvey Moses, chairman, Colville Business Council, who was accompanied by tribal representatives. Recessed until tomorrow afternoon on this subject. Will also meet tomorrow morning on other pending Indian bills.

SECURITIES

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Klein subcommittee concluded its hearings on H. R. 5701, to authorize the Securities and Exchange Commission to provide for exemptions in the case of certain classes of securities. Witnesses heard today were J. Sinclair Armstrong, Chairman of the Securities Exchange Commission; Byron B. Woodside, Director, Division of Corporation Finance, SEC; Andrew Biemiller, AFL; Don Montgomery, CIO; Vance N. Kirby, attorney, Chicago, Ill.; and Bradford Ross, counsel, U. S. Independent Telephone Association, Washington, D. C. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

REFRIGERATOR DOORS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: The Carlyle subcommittee concluded its hearings on H. R. 2181, to require safety closing devices on the doors of household refrigerators shipped in interstate commerce. Testimony was received today from Carl F. Oeschle, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Domestic Affairs, Department of Commerce; and Leslie D. Price, manager, Engineering and Safety Regulations Department, National Electrical Manufacturers Association of New York. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

JUDICIAL LEGISLATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2383, amended in the nature of a substitute, to authorize the establishment of an Inventive Contributions Awards Board within the Department of Defense;

H. R. 5130, amended, to amend title 28 of the U. S. Code so as to eliminate the separate divisions within the judicial district of Nebraska;

H. R. 5948, amended, relative to prohibiting certain acquisition of bank assets by other banks, banking associations, or trust companies;

H. R. 6622, for the relief of certain rural carriers;

H. R. 7121, to validate payments of mileage made to U. S. Army and Air Force personnel pursuant to permanent change of station orders authorizing travel by commercial aircraft;

H. R. 1581, a private immigration bill; and seven private claim bills of the House.

The committee also tabled the following bills—H. R. 480 and H. R. 2223, to provide for the ascertainment of claims of American citizens for spoliations committed by the French prior to the 31st day of July 1801; H. R. 639, similar to H. R. 2383; and five private claim bills of the House.

Also re-referred to Subcommittee No. 2, H. R. 5264, to amend title 18, U. S. Code, to extend the law relating to perjury to the willful giving of contradictory statements under oath.

FRENCH CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 reported adversely to the full committee H. R. 480 and 2223, bills which would confer jurisdiction on the U. S. Court of Claims to render judgment on French spoliation claims (1) for causes prior to July 31, 1801; (2) which were not dismissed either for want of prosecution or lack of evidence; and (3) for which neither payment nor provision therefor has heretofore been made. Witnesses heard on the subject were Representative Scott, author of H. R. 480; and Robert B. Ely III, Barrett G. Tawresen, and John A. Eichman III, all of Philadelphia, Pa.

Also held a hearing on H. R. 2631, to extend the time for filing claims on behalf of certain persons who claim compensation and reimbursement for services, property, moneys, etc., advanced to military forces serving on the side of the United States during World War II in the Philippine Islands. Testifying in connection with this proposal were John O'Donnell, Emmett O'Neill, and Ernest Schine, attorneys of Washington, D. C.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee: H. R. 6622, for the relief of certain rural carriers; H. R. 7121, to validate payments of mileage made to U. S. Army and Air Force personnel pursuant to permanent change-of-station orders authorizing travel by commercial aircraft; and seven private claim bills of the House. Also reported adversely on five private claim bills of the House.

COAST GUARD—SHIP SALES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Held hearings on H. R. 7379, to amend title 14, U. S. Code, so as to provide for compensatory absence of Coast Guard

military personnel serving at isolated aids to navigation; and H. R. 7471, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal lands to the Board of Commissioners of St. Johns County, Fla. Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard, testified on both proposals. Representative Herlong, author of H. R. 7471, spoke in connection with his measure.

Also heard Maritime Administrator Clarence G. Morse relative to H. J. Res. 369, and related measures, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell the steamship *Monterey;* and H. J. Res. 389, and related measures, to authorize the Secreatry of Commerce to sell the steamship *La Guardia.* Recessed until next Tuesday morning when it is expected to resume on H. J. Res. 389.

RIVERS AND DAMS

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 6102, to change the name of Garza-Little Elm Dam, located in Denton County, Tex., to Lewisville Dam;

H. R. 6634, to provide for the conveyance of land within the Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project to the city of Grapevine, Tex., for sewage disposal purposes; and

H. R. 6961, to designate the lake created by Buford Dam in the State of Georgia as "Lake Sidney Lanier."

Also approved a resolution calling for a review of reports on the Apalachicola, Chattahoochee, and Flint Rivers, Ga. and Fla., regarding a reservoir at Franklin, Ga.

MISSISSIPPI-GULF OUTLET

Committee on Public Works: Concluded a hearing on H. R. 2557, and similar bills, authorizing construction of the Mississippi River-gulf outlet. Members of the Louisiana congressional delegation who testified on the proposed legislation were Senators Long and Ellender, and Representative Boggs, Hébert, Brooks, Long, Morrison, Thompson, and Willis. Also heard testimony from Herbert O'Conor, chief counsel of the American Merchant Marine Institute; Brig. Gen. John H. Hardy, representing the Corps of Engineers; and many local interested witnesses.

UPPER COLORADO PROJECT

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 4 hours of general debate on H. R. 3383, authorizing Federal construction and operation of upper Colorado River storage projects. Witnesses heard in support of the proposed legislation were Representatives Engle, Aspinall, Miller of Nebraska, Chenoweth, Dawson of Utah, Dixon, Rogers of Colorado, Thomson of Wyoming, and Fernandez, and Senator Watkins of Utah. Opposition testimony was presented by Representatives Saylor, Hosmer, Utt, and Haley.

FLAMMABLES—GI FARM TRAINING

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules providing for 1 hour general debate on each of the following bills—

H. R. 5222, amending the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard; and

H. R. 4006, regarding on-farm training allowances to veterans under the GI bill.

VETERANS' HOUSING

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: The Edmundson Subcommittee on Housing concluded the hearings in connection with its study into alleged irregularities, in El Paso, Tex., of housing provisions guaranteed under the GI bill of rights. Testifying again today was Harry O. Rearick, partner in the firm of DeWitt & Rearick, of El Paso, Tex., followed by Alvah B. Swain, former fee appraiser with the Veterans' Administration.

WATCHES

Committee on Ways and Means: Announced that hearings would be conducted next Wednesday, July 27, on H. R. 7466 and 7467, relating to definition of substitutes for jewels in imported watch movements.

TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2619, relating to abatement of tax on income of certain trusts;

H. R. 4394, amended, relating to definition of wages for withholding-tax purposes;

H. R. 5428, amended, relating to administrative and procedural provisions applicable to fiduciaries;

H. R. 7014, relating to tax treatment where taxpayer recovers amount held by another under claim of right;

H. R. 7123, amended, relating to withholding by the Federal Government from wages of employees of certain municipal taxes; and

H. R. 7300, amended, relating to tax treatment of income received from patent infringement suits.

(H. R. 7014 and 7123 are to be included in the "bobtail" bill being prepared by the committee.)

FEDERAL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Select Committee on Small Business: Officials of the Federal Trade Commission gave further testimony at today's hearing conducted by the Evins subcommittee, which is currently studying organization procedures of Federal regulatory commissions and agencies. The witnesses heard were William P. Glendening, budget officer; Thomas P. Baxter, Chief, Division of Management and Organization; John A. Delaney, Personnel Director; and Robert M. Parrish, Secretary. Recessed

until tomorrow morning when FTC officials are scheduled to resume testimony.

Joint Committee Meetings

INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation met in executive session to hear Ambassador Morehead Patterson, U. S. representative for the International Atomic Energy Agency negotiation.

RESERVE FORCES

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of Reserve Forces.

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HIGHLIGHTS

By 62 yeas to 22 nays, Senate passed mutual security bill and on call of calendar passed 158 bills.

Federal-State program of school construction and miscellaneous tax bills approved by House committees.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11206–11214

Bills Introduced: 19 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2604 to S. 2622; and S. J. Res. 94. Page 11208

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 6043, providing for the maintenance of the Kings Point, N. Y., Merchant Marine Academy (S. Rept. 1090);

S. 514, to provide for disposal of certain Federal property in Boulder City, Nev., area, with amendments (S. Rept. 1091);

S. 56, authorizing the construction of certain public works on the Mississippi River for protection of St. Louis, Mo., with amendments (S. Rept. 1092); and

S. 2573, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 (S. Rept. 1093). Page 11208

Bills Referred: Nine House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 11206

Bill Re-Referred: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. 2210, to modify the project for the St. Marys River, Mich., South Canal, and the bill was then re-referred to Committee on Public Works. Page 11210

Authority To Report: All committees were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 11240

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 158 measures, of which 134 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Brooklyn monument: H. R. 473, to authorize an investigation and report on advisability of a national monument in Brooklyn, N. Y.;

Burial flags: H. R. 4727, to permit the issuance of a flag to a friend or associate of the deceased veteran where it is not claimed by next of kin;

Alaska shores: H. R. 605, providing for the abolition of the 80-rod reserved spaces between claims on shore waters in Alaska; and

Private bills: 57 private bills, H. R. 3354, 4198, 4707, 914, 932, 1180 1185, 1302, 1304, 1435, 1436, 1439, 1458, 1486, 1508, 1537, 1668, 1698, 1911, 1927, 1987, 1997, 2059, 2070, 2078, 2241, 2242, 2259, 2306, 2307, 2313, 2315, 2735, 2738, 2749, 2755, 2783, 2947, 3048, 3270, 3504, 3624, 3625, 3629, 3630, 3864, 3871, 4146, 4147, 4284, 4289, 4455, 5283, 6396, 6613, 2944, 3726.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Legion of Valor: H. R. 3786, incorporation of Army and Navy Legion of Valor of the U. S.;

Mexican farm labor: H. R. 3822, to extend for 1½ years the Mexican farm labor program; and

Private bills: 16 private bills, H. R. 3628, 3635, H. Con. Res. 167, 168, H. R. 1060, 1301, 1552, 2065, 2753, 2791, 3189, 3507, 1034, 1958, 4044, 4468.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Devil's Tower: S. 2049, recognizing 50th anniversary of Devil's Tower National Monument;

Veterans' training: S. 2081, providing that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for 12 months after they have begun their training;

Roosevelt Commission: S. J. Res. 73, to establish a commission to formulate plans for a memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt;

Farm settlers: S. 1621, authorizing adjustment of certain obligations of farm settlers;

Tobacco: S. 2297, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 relating to national marketing quota for tobacco; and

Private bills: 36 private bills, S. 189, 194, 293, 332, 393, 592, 608, 610, 695, 762, 763, 836, 893, 963, 1036, 1042, 1068, 1085, 1128, 1130, 1142, 1253, 1322, 1417, 1438, 1477, 1496, 1503, 1504, 1563, 1612, 1681, 1716, 2145, 2269, 2270.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Confidence games: S. 997, to provide punishment for certain confidence game swindles;

Reclamation: S. 1534, to facilitate the construction of drainage works and other minor items on Federal reclamation and like projects;

Tobacco: S. 2295 and S. 2296, to amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments;

Taft Memorial: S. Con. Res. 44, to erect on the Capitol Grounds a memorial bell tower in memory of Robert A. Taft;

South Dakota land: S. 2277, conveyance of certain land to Sioux Falls, S. Dak., for park and recreational purposes; and

Private bills: 25 private bills, S. 218, 19, 204, 213, 235, 411, 425, 753, 843, 884, 910, 1012, 1082, 1212, 1266, 1298, 1474, 1493, 1615, 1974, 223, 509, 518, 696, 1406.

Resolutions passed without amendment:

Printing: H. Con. Res. 90, authorizing preparation and printing of a report on the Prayer Room in the Capitol; and

Printing: H. Con. Res. 148, authorizing printing of 25,000 additional copies of hearings held by Joint Committee on Atomic Energy on Radiation Sterilization of Foods.

Resolutions passed with amendment:

Committee expenditures: S. Res. 117, increasing by $3,000 and $4,750 limit of expenditures by Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs;

Printing: S. Res. 118, authorizing printing of 1,000 additional copies of part I and appendix of hearings on operations and policies of civil defense program;

Committee expenditures: S. Res. 119, increasing by $10,000 limit of expenditures for hearings before Committee on Armed Services;

Committee expenditures: S. Res. 123, authorizing additional funds of $20,000 for Committee on Agriculture and Forestry to conduct field hearings on farm price support program;

Committee expenditures: S. Res. 125, to extend the work of the Juvenile Delinquency Subcommittee through January 31, 1956, and authorizing additional funds of $29,000 therefor; and

Committee expenditures: S. Res. 128, authorizing additional funds of $10,000 for Committee on Foreign Relations. **Pages 11214–11233**

Resolution Re-Referred: On call of calendar, S. Res. 137, increasing by $20,000 limit of expenditures of Committee on the Judiciary (Subcommittee on Improvements in Federal Criminal Code), was taken from calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. **Page 11232**

Food Donations: Committee on Agriculture and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 2851, to make agricultural commodities owned by the CCC available to persons in need in areas of acute distress, which was then passed after being amended by substituting for its text the language of S. 661, a companion bill, which had first been amended by adoption of committee amendment (in nature of a substitute). Senate rejected amendment offered to committee substitute by Senator Williams which would have provided that no commodity shall be made available in any State unless payment shall be made therefor from State or local funds in accordance with a stated formula.

S. 661 was then indefinitely postponed.

Pages 11233–11239

South Carolina Land: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 4280, relating to conveyance of certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina. **Page 11239**

CCC Stocks: Senate passed without amendment S. 2170, to permit sale of CCC stocks of basic and storable nonbasic agricultural commodities without restriction where similar commodities are exported in raw or processed form. **Pages 11239–11240**

Oklahoma Land: H. R. 4747, quitclaim reversionary interests in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Okla., was passed without amendment, clearing bill for President. **Page 11240**

Mutual Security Appropriations: By 62 yeas to 22 nays, Senate passed with amendments H. R. 7224, mutual security appropriations for fiscal 1956, after taking the following actions on amendments:

Adopted: By 50 yeas to 38 nays, committee amendment increasing by $420 million, funds for military assistance; by 68 yeas to 16 nays, committee amendment reducing by $10 million funds for development assistance, Asia; by 48 yeas to 36 nays, committee amendment increasing by $50 million President's Fund for Asian Economic Development; by voice vote, all other committee amendments with exception of one, which

was rejected; Hickenlooper amendment barring funds or counterpart funds for other than military assistance to any country of which a dependent area fails to fulfill its treaty obligations with U. S.; and Humphrey amendment increasing by $500,000 funds for ocean freight charges, U. S. voluntary relief agencies; and

Rejected: By 22 yeas to 63 nays, Ellender amendment (to committee amendment) to reduce by $64 million funds for defense support, Europe; Ellender amendment (to committee amendment) to reduce by $12.5 million, earmarked funds for assistance to Spain on grant basis; Ellender amendment (to committee amendment) to reduce by $5.5 million funds for defense support, Near East and Africa, and to reduce by $6.5 million earmarked funds to Greece; by 24 yeas to 60 nays, Ellender amendment (to committee amendment) to reduce by $206.8 million, funds for defense support, Asia; Ellender amendment to reduce by $18.2 million, funds for development assistance, Near East and Africa; and committee amendment limiting to $50 million, funds made available for assistance to India.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Hayden, Chavez, Ellender, Hill, Clements, Bridges, Saltonstall, Knowland, and Dirksen.

Pages 11238–11239, 11243–11268, 11271–11305

International Claims: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949. Page 11305

Confirmations: Senate confirmed the nomination of Reuben Buck Robertson, Jr., of Ohio, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense, 5 judicial nominations, 56 in the Army, 50 Air Force, 857 Navy, and 1 in the Marine Corps. Pages 11309–11310

Nomination: Nomination of Craig S. Atkins, of Maryland, to be judge of U. S. Tax Court, was received. Page 11309

Adjournment: Adjourned at 10:39 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded its hearings on H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956, with testimony on the following items:

On Coast Guard operations—Vice Adm. Alfred C. Richmond, Commandant;

On D. C. items—William G. Wilding, Deputy D. C. Budget Officer;

On State Department items—Under Secretary Loy W. Henderson, Assistant Secretary for Inter-American Affairs Henry F. Holland, Edward B. Wilber, budget officer, and George F. Wilson, assistant controller, all of the State Department;

On Justice Department—Federal Prison System—S. A. Andretta, Administrative Assistant Attorney General, and J. V. Bennett, Director, Bureau of Prisons;

On USIA items—Richard F. Cook, Assistant Director for Administration, and Ben Posner, budget officer;

On Labor Department—funds for Wage and Hour Division and Office of Solicitor—Stuart Rothman, Solicitor;

On White House Conference on Education—Samuel M. Brownell, Commissioner of Office of Education; and

On various PHS items, including Salk antipolio vaccine item—Dr. Leonard Scheele, Surgeon General, accompanied by his associates.

Committee will meet in executive session tomorrow to mark up the bill.

NOMINATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Harold C. Patterson to be a member of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CUSTOMS SIMPLIFICATION AND NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, discussed H. R. 6040, to amend certain administrative provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and to repeal obsolete provisions of the customs laws, but made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

The committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of William J. Nixon, of Idaho, to be collector of customs with headquarters at Great Falls, Mont.

DEFECTIVE GRAIN STORAGE BINS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations held hearings with regard to defective grain storage bins in the Midwest. Witnesses heard were Bernard F. Locraft, a civil engineer of Washington, D. C., formerly retained by the Department of Agriculture to investigate defective storage bins; and Robert V. Bailey, Jr., a claims examiner, and Edward G. Molander, senior departmental engineer, both of the Agriculture Department.

On Thursday, July 21, the subcommittee heard testimony from Secretary of the Air Force Harold Talbott regarding his interest in the Paul B. Mulligan Co., New York.

INTERNAL SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Internal Security Subcommittee held hearings with regard to the deportation and denaturalization of subversive aliens, with testimony from Mario T. Noto, Chief of Investigations of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

CANADIAN BONDED LABORERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Labor Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. Res. 98, authorizing committee to investigate importation of bonded

laborers from Canada. Witnesses heard were Benjamin J. Dorsky, Maine State Federation of Labor; Gordan M. Tiffany, American Pulpwood Industry, Concord, N. H., accompanied by Joseph Kovner; Smith C. McIntire, Aroostook Farm Labor Association, Perham, Maine; Philip E. Smyth, C. V. Crawford, and R. H. Martin, all of International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite, and Paper Mill Workers; John T. Maines, Great Northern Paper Co., Bangor, Maine; M. M. Blaisdall, International Logging Camp; C. S. Herr, Brown Co., Berlin, N. H.; and Harry Parr, New Hampshire State Federation of Labor.

Hearings continue Monday, July 25.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program had as its witness Thurmond Arnold, a D. C. attorney and formerly Assistant Attorney General (Antitrust Division), Justice Department, and Dr. Paul Klemperer, American Medical Association. Hearings continue July 28.

TVA

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors continued its hearings on S. 2373, to amend the TVA Act of 1933 with regard to issuance and sale of bonds, with testimony favoring the bill from S. R. Finley and C. T. Ames, both of the TVA Public Power Association; Mayor George R. Dempster, of Knoxville, and president of the Citizens for TVA; W. E. Hooper, president, American Public Power Association; and Herbert J. Bingham, Tennessee-Municipal League.

Testifying in opposition to this bill were Louis V. Sutton, representing the U. S. Chamber of Commerce; and Walter Sammis, president, Ohio Edison Co.

Hearings continue Wednesday, July 27.

NEW JERSEY GAS WAR

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Retailing, Distribution, and Fair Trade Practices began hearings on the New Jersey gasoline price war situation. Witnesses heard were H. Bradford Graeff, Brooklawn, N. J., and Charles E. Sohn, of Teaneck, both Esso dealers; Charles J. Di Bartolomeo, Camden, a Sunoco dealer; Elmer Rowe, Phillipsburg, and Charles Rabig, Jr., Elizabeth, Texaco dealers; Charles L. H. Jones, Woodbury, a Socony-Mobil dealer; Thomas J. Gibbons, Camden, a Gulf dealer; and John Gressler, Englishtown, a former dealer. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, July 25, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

COTTON

Committee on Agriculture: Met for discussion of legislation similar to S. 2446, to permit sale of Commodity Credit Corporation stocks of cotton that are in excess supply for unrestricted use at current market prices. Appearing at the meeting was F. Marion Rhodes, Director of the Cotton Division, Commodity Stabilization Service. Adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee approved miscellaneous real estate and construction projects in an executive session today. One approved project, relating to Nike defense at Cleveland, Ohio, was discussed by Representative Minshall, of Ohio, and Paul Walter, an attorney, at Cleveland, Ohio. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Education and Labor: Voted (21 to 9) to report to the House, H. R. 7535, to authorize a $1.6 billion, 4-year program of Federal-State school construction.

INDIAN LEGISLATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—

H. R. 585, amended, to authorize the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of the Lower Lake Rancheria;

H. R. 6625, to provide for the transfer of title to certain land and the improvements thereon to the Pueblo of San Lorenzo (Pueblo of Picuris);

H. R. 6927, a private land conveyance bill, Dunseith, N. Dak.;

H. R. 7248, to amend the act extending the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah so as to authorize such State to exchange certain mineral lands for other lands mineral in character; and

H. R. 7284, to provide for the conveyance to the State of North Dakota for use as a State historic site, of the land where Chief Sitting Bull was originally buried.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. R. 4656, relating to the Lumbee Indians of North Carolina; and H. R. 6418, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to lease unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Ariz.

S. 1397, similar to H. R. 6927; S. 878, similar to H. R. 7247; and H. R. 6630, similar to H. R. 6625, were also referred to the full committee for its disposition.

Representative Scudder, author of H. R. 585, testified on his bill. Departmental witnesses heard on H. R. 6927, 7248, 7284, 6418, and 6625 were H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; and Lewis Sigler, Office of the Solicitor, Department of the Interior. Hugh Farrington, assistant to Representative Krueger, testified on H. R. 6927 and 7284, of which Mr. Krueger is author; and Harry Shuart appeared for Representative Dempsey on his bills, H. R. 6625 and 6630. Representative Carlyle, author of H. R. 4656, spoke in connection with his measure, along with Rev. D. F. Lowry, a Lumbee Indian; and Dean Burch, from the office of Senator Goldwater, discussed H. R. 6418.

Recessed until Monday morning for further consideration of pending Indian bills.

COLVILLE INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Haley subcommittee continued hearings on H. R. 6154 and 7190, restoring to tribal ownership certain lands upon the Colville Indian Reservation, Wash. Witnesses heard today were Richard C. Watts, executive secretary, Washington State Association of County Commissioners; Ben Brown, county commissioner, Okanogan County, Wash.; Frank George, secretary-treasurer, Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians; Lyle Keith, attorney, Colville Confederated Tribes; Louis Wapato and Paschal Sherman, of the Colville Indian Tribe; and William Zimmerman, representing the Association of American Indian Affairs. Adjourned on this proposal subject to call of the Chair.

CIVIL AIR POLICY

Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Representative Boggs, of Louisiana, discussed civil air policy today.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES—CIVIL ACTIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 held a hearing on H. R. 5862, to confer jurisdiction upon U. S. district courts to adjudicate certain claims of Federal employees for the recovery of fees, salaries, or compensation; and H. R. 6152 and 6167, to restore the jurisdiction of the district courts in certain civil actions brought against the United States of America. Received testimony from Representative Watts, author of H. R. 5862; and Harry B. Miller, attorney, and Wilford Lowry, attorney, of Philadelphia. Also received a statement for the record from Representative Scott, author of H. R. 6167.

FLORIDA SETTLEMENT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 heard Representative Sikes in connection with his proposal (H. J. Res. 323), to provide for the observance and celebration of the quadricentennial anniversary of the establishment of the first white settlement in Florida.

CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Alexander subcommittee considered, but took no action on, S. 1849, and three similar House bills, to provide for the grant of career conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointments. Testifying on the proposed legislation were Representative Pelly, author of H. R. 5437; Representative Watts, author of H. R. 5624; and Representative Smith of Virginia, who spoke on H. R. 7180, which was introduced by Representative Broyhill. Other witnesses today were John W. Macy, Jr., Executive Director of the Civil Service Commission; and three representatives of Federal employees groups—Luther Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; James Campbell, American Federation of Government Employees; and Thomas G. Walter, Government Employees' Council. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FLOOD CONTROL, ST. LOUIS, MO.

Committee on Public Works: Held a hearing today in connection with H. R. 2030 and 7092, bills which would authorize the construction of certain public works on the Mississippi River for flood-control protection of St. Louis, Mo. Testimony on the proposed legislation was received from Representative Sullivan, author of H. R. 2030, and Representative Karsten, author of H. R. 7092. Also heard Col. H. W. Penney, who represented the Corps of Engineers, along with many local interested witnesses. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2387, amended, to impose an excise tax on automotive windshields on a square-foot basis;

H. R. 2414, amended, relating to a refund of excise taxes paid on gasoline when destroyed by fire or flood;

H. R. 4668, amended, to repeal excise tax on aromatic cachous;

H. R. 5647, to repeal excise tax on motorcycles;

H. R. 6595, amended, relating to credit or refund of certain estate taxes;

H. R. 7012, relating to retroactivity of certain provisions pertaining to estate taxes; and

H. R. 7054, amended, relating to credit against estate tax for Federal estate taxes paid on prior transfers.

(All measures were unanimously approved except H. R. 2387 and 2414. These two will be included in the "bobtail" bill which is being prepared by the committee.)

FREEDOM OF CHOICE IN TRADE

Select Committee on Small Business: Unanimously adopted a resolution in favor of the stated principles and purposes set forth in H. R. 7096, to amend sections 3 and 4 of the Clayton Act to free those in commerce from restraints of trade and to allow small-business men freedom of choice in the conduct of their respective businesses as independent enterprises. The bill was introduced by Representative Roosevelt at the conclusion and upon the basis of hearings conducted by Subcommittee No. 5, of which he is chairman, and concerns alleged coercive and discriminatory practices used by oil company suppliers against retail gasoline operators.

FEDERAL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Evins subcommittee, which is currently studying organization procedures of Federal regulatory agencies, met today with Federal Trade Commission officials and former Federal Trade Commission Commissioners to hear further testimony in connection with that agency. Witnesses appearing were Edward F. Howrey, Chairman; David C. Murchison, legal adviser and assistant to the Chairman; and James M. Mead and Albert A. Carretta, former Commissioners. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

Monday, July 25, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed 33 measures on call of calendar, and took up supplemental appropriation bill.

House adopted conference report on Reserve Forces bill.

Federal-aid highway construction bill cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11320–11331

Bills Introduced: 8 bills and 5 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2623–S. 2630; S. Con. Res. 50–52; and S. Res. 138 and 139. **Pages 11315, 11324–11325**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956, with amendments—reported July 23 under prior authorization (S. Rept. 1094);

S. 2577, to define bank holding companies, control their future expansion, and require divestment of their nonbanking interests, with amendment (S. Rept. 1095);

H. R. 6454, to amend joint resolution approved August 30, 1954, relating to establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission (S. Rept. 1096);

S. 433, 1125, 1226, 1299, 1348, 1357, 1594, 1676, 1682, 1706, 1732, 1882, 1888, 1972, 1973, 1983, 2036, 2575, H. R. 939, 999, 1159, 1160, 1976, 2788, 3626, 3856, 3956, 4970, 5080, 5767, 6002, 6036, 6896, S. 366, 421, 1105, 1787, 1905, 2053, H. R. 1393, 5546, S. 1118, 1993, private bills (S. Repts. 1097–1139, respectively); and

S. 2630 Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955 (S. Rept. 1140). **Pages 11315, 11321–11324**

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 33 measures, of which 2 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Veterans' retirement: H. R. 5893, retirement of retired military personnel in Federal civil service;

Oliver Wendell Holmes: H. R. 7029, to establish a Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise (after discharging Committee on Rules and Administration from its further consideration) (S. 2346, a similar bill, was indefinitely postponed);

Coast Guard: H. R. 5875, providing involuntary retirement of certain officers in the Coast Guard;

Olympic Day: H. J. Res. 359, designating October 22, 1955, as National Olympic Day;

Nurses: H. R. 2150, adjustments in dates of rank of certain Army and Air Force nurses and women medical specialists;

Nurses: H. R. 4106, to authorize the crediting, for certain purposes, of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under section 101 or 102 of the Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947;

Girl Scouts: H. R. 4218, authorizing the loan of certain military equipment to the Girl Scouts;

Sag Harbor, N. Y.: H. R. 4717, to provide for release of express condition and limitation on certain land conveyed to trustees of Sag Harbor, N. Y.;

Armed services retirement: H. R. 4886, to provide that active service in the Army and Air Force shall be included in determining the eligibility for retirement of commissioned officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard with 20 years of service;

Household transportation: H. R. 6277, to amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 concerning transportation and storage of household goods;

Enlisted personnel: H. R. 7194, to authorize subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel; and

Private bills: Two private bills, H. J. Res. 251 and H. R. 2949.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Alaska Railroad leases: H. R. 3338, to extend Alaska Railroad leases;

D. C. Armory: H. R. 6259, relative to certain expense authorizations being advanced to the D. C. Armory Board;

Navy-Marine Corps: H. R. 2109, Navy and Marine Corps Officers Augmentation Act;

Louisiana land: H. R. 5512, conveyance of certain property under jurisdiction of HHFA to State of Louisiana; and

Old Colony: H. R. 6980, providing for conveyance of the Old Colony project to the Boston Housing Authority.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Coast Guard officers retirement: S. 1834, computation of retired pay of certain retired commissioned officers of the Coast Guard;

Barge trade: S. 2432, to permit the use in the coastwise trade of the barge *Irrigon;*

Constitution Week: S. Con. Res. 40, designating period September 17–23, 1955, as Constitution Week;

Yuma project, Arizona: S. 1683, to amend act limiting boundaries of the Yuma auxiliary project, Arizona;

Norfolk war housing: S. 2351, to authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Va.; and

Rice marketing quotas: S. 2573, to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Benjamin Franklin medal: S. 463, authorizing issuance of commemorative medals in observance of 250th anniversary of birth of Benjamin Franklin;

Arkansas River Compact: S. 730, compact between Kansas and Oklahoma for waters of Arkansas River;

Coast Guard compensatory leave: S. 2566, to provide for compensatory absence of Coast Guard military personnel serving at isolated aids to navigation;

Potomac River bridge: S. 2568, to amend the act authorizing construction of Potomac River bridge to be known as the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge;

Gila project, Arizona: S. 1689, authorizing execution of repayment contract with Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Gila project, Arizona;

New Jersey Turnpike: S. 1261, conveyance of certain lands to New Jersey Turnpike Authority; and

Glastonbury, Conn., war housing: S. 2513, authorizing sale of Welles Village war housing project in Glastonbury, Conn.

Resolution passed without amendment:

Acadian migration: H. Con. Res. 50, commemorating the 200th anniversary of the migration of the Acadians from Nova Scotia to Louisiana.

Resolution passed with amendment:

Merchant marine training: S. Res. 35, providing for a study of merchant marine training and education in the U. S. **Pages 11331–11345**

Alaskan Water Resources: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 3990, authorizing Federal investigation of water resources projects in Alaska. **Page 11342**

Cordell Hull: S. Res. 138, expressing sorrow on death of former Senator and Secretary of State Cordell Hull, was unanimously adopted. **Pages 11315–11319**

World Disarmament: S. Res. 93, appointing a subcommittee to work toward the goal of world disarmament, was adopted with amendments from the Committees on Foreign Relations and on Rules and Administration. **Pages 11346–11347**

Printing: Senate adopted without amendment, thus completing legislative action on, H. Con. Res. 190, authorizing the printing of 300,000 copies of manuscript entitled "The House of Representatives." **Page 11354**

House Procedure: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. J. Res. 385, printing of revised edition of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives. **Page 11354**

Reserve Training: Senate passed with committee amendments H. R. 2107, providing additional facilities for the administration and training of Reserve components of the armed services. **Pages 11355–11356**

California Reclamation: S. 926, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of Ventura River reclamation project, California, was passed, after adoption of committee amendment. **Pages 11354–11358**

Missouri River Project—Nebraska: Senate passed with committee amendments (in the nature of a substitute) S. 1194, providing for construction of Red Willow Dam and Reservoir, Nebr., as a unit of Missouri River Basin project. **Page 11358**

International Claims: Senate passed, with committee amendments, H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949.

Senate then insisted on its amendments, asked for conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Sparkman, Humphrey, Mansfield, Smith (New Jersey), and Hickenlooper. **Pages 11346, 11348–11353**

Supplemental Appropriations: H. R. 7278, supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1956, was made Senate's unfinished business. Page 11360

Authority To Report: All standing committees were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 11345

Confirmation: One civilian nomination was confirmed. Page 11362

Nominations: 10 U. N. nominations were received, along with 43 in the Army, and 103 postmasters. Pages 11360–11362

Adjournment: Adjourned at 3:40 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT ACT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in executive session, concluded hearings on S. 1286, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration, with testimony from the following witnesses: Marvin Briggs, Vice Chairman, and Marshall Edwards, member, both of Federal Farm Credit Board; and Arthur T. Esgate, Acting Governor, Homer G. Smith, Deputy Governor, and John Bagwell, General Counsel, all of Farm Credit Administration.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Committee on Appropriations: On Saturday, July 23, committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956.

SILVER PURCHASE

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Federal Reserve Matters resumed its hearings on S. 1427, to repeal legislation passed prior to 1934 which influences Treasury Department policy in purchasing silver for monetary purposes, receiving favoring testimony from Senator Green; Dickson H. Leavens, of Colorado Springs, Colo.; George R. Frankovich, executive secretary, New England Manufacturing Jewelers and Silversmiths, Providence, R. I.; and James B. Dickey, president, Silver Users Association, Washington, D. C. Subcommittee adjourned subject to call.

INSURANCE COMPANIES' INCOME TAX

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on H. R. 7201, relating to the taxation of income of insurance companies, and received testimony in favor of the bill from Laurens Williams, Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury, and Robert L. Hogge, chairman, joint committee representing Life Insurance Association of America, American Life Convention, and Life Insurers Conference. Former Senator Scott W. Lucas, and Edward J. Schmuck, general counsel, accompanied by Lloyd Crippin, vice president, both of Acacia Mutual Life Insurance Co., opposed enactment of the bill.

GENEVA CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, heard Secretary of State Dulles report on last week's Geneva Conference of the heads of the Governments of the U. S., France, Great Britain, and Russia.

ATLANTIC EXPLORATORY CONVENTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings on S. Con Res. 12, favoring the calling of an Atlantic Exploratory Convention, and received favoring testimony from the following witnesses: Senator Kefauver; Elmo Roper; Clarence K. Streit, editor, Freedom and Union; Dr. Harold Urey, physicist; and Mrs. Chase Osborn, of Michigan. The hearings were recessed subject to call.

PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES

Committee on Government Operations: Committee held hearings on seven bills relating to payments in lieu of taxes (S. 826, 888, 1566, 1657, 2100, 2377, and 2390), and received testimony from the following witnesses:

Favoring enactment of S. 1566, Act for Payments to State and Local Governments on Federal Real Property, were Senators Goldwater and Kuchel; and William R. McDougall, secretary-treasurer, and Keith L. Seegmiller, general counsel, both of National Association of County Officials; and

Favoring enactment of S. 2377, to make temporary provision for making payments in lieu of taxes regarding certain real property transferred by RFC to other Government departments, were Senator Potter, and Patrick Healy, executive director, American Municipal Association.

INVESTIGATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued to hear testimony with regard to interest of Secretary of Air Force Harold Talbott in the Paul B. Mulligan Co., of New York, with testimony from Paul B. Mulligan, of that company, who is a business partner of Mr. Talbott, and Samuel E. Ewing, general counsel, RCA. Subcommittee continues tomorrow.

BUREAU OF STANDARDS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee held and concluded hearings today on S. 2060, to incorporate in the Organic Act of the National Bureau of Standards the authority to use the working capital fund, after receiving testimony from Dr. A. V. Astin, Director, accompanied by Norman L. Christeller, Assistant Budget Officer, both of the National Bureau of Standards, and Karney A. Brasfield, Assistant to the Comptroller General, GAO.

WOODROW WILSON CENTENNIAL, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 6454, to amend the joint resolution approved August 30, 1954, relating to the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission, 3 private claims bills (H. R. 5080, S. 1905, and H. R. 1393), and 40 private immigration bills (S. 366, 421, 433, 1105, 1118, 1125, 1226, 1299, 1348, 1357, 1594, 1676, 1682, 1706, 1732, 1787, 1882, 1888, 1933, 1972, 1973, 1983, 2036, 2053, 2575, H. R. 939, 999, 1159, 1160, 1976, 2788, 3626, 3856, 3956, 4970, 5546, 5767, 6002, 6036, and 6896). Committee indefinitely postponed S. 597, 1562, and 1930, private immigration bills, and S. 2068 (in lieu of passage of H. R. 6454).

PENNSYLVANIA JUDGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on the nomination of C. William Kraft to be U. S. district judge for the eastern district of Pennsylvania, receiving favorable testimony thereon from Senator Duff. The nominee also appeared in his own behalf.

Appearing in opposition to the nomination were the following witnesses from Chester, Pa.: L. Agnew Campbell, Mathues P. Dougherty, Louis Kaplan, William H. Cronley, and James Wilson Campbell.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

CANADIAN BONDED LABORERS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor continued its hearings on S. Res. 98, authorizing committee to investigate importation of bonded laborers from Canada. Witnesses heard today were Paul E. Jones, employment service director, State of Maine; Sidney Rawitz, Chief Special Inquiry Officer, Examination Division, Immigration and Naturalization Service, accompanied by Chat Dyer and Maurice Page, both of the regional office, Burlington, Vt.; and Robert Goodwin, Director, accompanied by Arthur Motley, Assistant Director, both of Bureau of Employment Security, Arthur Gernes, regional director in Boston, and William B. Grogan, Wage and Hour and Public Contracts Division. Hearings were adjourned subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 34 public bills, H. R. 7547–7580; 14 private bills, H. R. 7581–7594; and 4 resolutions, H. J. Res. 398 and 399; H. Con. Res. 193; and H. Res. 314, were introduced. **Pages 11364–11365, 11425–11426**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 2552, authorizing the modification of the existing project for the Great Lakes connecting channels above Lake Erie, filed on July 22 (H. Rept. 1344);

H. R. 6263, amending section 1233 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 regarding arbitrage operations in securities, filed on July 22 (H. Rept. 1345);

H. R. 6728, carryback and carryover of foreign tax credit, filed on July 22 (H. Rept. 1346);

H. R. 7018, relating to enforcement of narcotic laws, filed on July 22 (H. Rept. 1347);

H. R. 7030, revision and extension of Sugar Act of 1948, filed on July 22 (H. Rept. 1348);

S. 1189, authorizing national banks to make 20-year amortized residential real-estate loans, filed on July 22 (H. Rept. 1349);

S. 2127, extension of the Small Business Act of 1953, filed on July 22 (H. Rept. 1350);

H. J. Res. 278, to provide that a gold medal be coined and presented to Dr. Jonas E. Salk in honor of his achievements in the field of medicine (H. Rept. 1351);

H. R. 257, sale of residence by members of the Armed Forces, filed on July 23 (H. Rept. 1352);

H. R. 2553, to amend Internal Revenue Code relating to use of corporation property by a shareholder, filed on July 23 (H. Rept. 1353);

H. R. 4394, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relating to definition of wages for withholding-tax purposes, filed on July 23 (H. Rept. 1354);

H. R. 7064, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to extend period for exercise of restricted stock options after termination of employment, filed on July 23 (H. Rept. 1355);

H. R. 7282, amendment of section 117 (a) (1) (A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939, relating to allowance of credits for dividends received for dividends paid, and for a Western Hemisphere trade corporation in computing the alternative tax of a corporation, with respect to capital gains, filed on July 23 (H. Rept. 1356);

H. R. 7300, tax treatment of income received from patent infringement suits, filed on July 23 (H. Rept. 1357);

H. R. 6846, tightening tobacco allotment laws, amended (H. Rept. 1358);

H. R. 6847, burley tobacco allotments (H. Rept. 1359);

H. R. 6845, amending tobacco referendum laws (H. Rept. 1360);

H. R. 7302, amendment of rice marketing quota provisions of Agricultural Adjustment Act (H. Rept. 1361);

H. R. 6888, to facilitate the entry of skilled specialists chargeable to the quota for Spain, amended (H. Rept. 1362);

H. R. 7500, to establish a commission and advisory committee on international rules of judiciial procedure (H. Rept. 1363);

H. J. Res. 261, to make transfers of available supplies and equipment to the Citadel, Charleston, S. C. (H. Rept. 1364);

Twenty-nine private bills, H. R. 930, 944, 1232, 1235, 1402, 1410, 1492, 1920, 1923, 2285, 2345, 2347, 2704, 3057, 3201, 3527, 3869, 3963, 3965, 4025, 4544, 4548, 4643, 5074, 5079, 5082, 5869, 5870, and 7197 (H. Repts. 1365–1393, respectively);

S. 2375, to provide for 5-year terms of office for members of the Subversive Activities Control Board (H. Rept. 1394);

H. R. 6769, to amend the act entitled "An act to provide better facilities for the enforcement of the customs and immigration laws" to increase the amounts authorized to be expended (H. Rept. 1395);

H. R. 5130, to eliminate the separate divisions within the judicial district of Nebraska, amended (H. Rept. 1396);

H. R. 7379, to provide for compensatory absence of Coast Guard military personnel serving at isolated aids to navigation, amended (H. Rept. 1397);

H. R. 7471, to provide for the conveyance of certain U. S. lands to the board of commissioners of St. Johns County, Fla., amended (H. Rept. 1398);

H. R. 6376, providing for the hospitalization and care of the mentally ill of Alaska, amended (H. Rept. 1399);

H. R. 6102, changing the name of Garza-Little Elm Dam, located in Denton County, Tex., to Lewisville Dam (H. Rept. 1400);

H. R. 6961, designating the lake created by Buford Dam in the State of Georgia as "Lake Sidney Lanier" (H. Rept. 1401);

H. R. 7576, Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955 (H. Rept. 1402); and

H. Res. 314, partially closed rule providing for 3 hours of debate on H. R. 7474, the Federal-State highway construction program (H. Rept. 1403).

Pages 11424–11425

Mutual Security Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 7224, making appropriations for mutual security for the fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Passman, Gary, Rooney, Cannon, Fernandez, Lanham, Natcher, Denton, Taber, Wigglesworth, Fenton, Ford, and Hand. Page 11364

Postal Employee Bonds: Disagreed to Senate amendment to H. R. 4778, to provide for purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Morrison, and Rees conferees. Page 11364

Taft Memorial: Adopted, and thus concluded action on, S. Con. Res. 44, to erect on the Capitol Grounds a memorial bell tower in memory of Robert A. Taft.

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Massachusetts Constitution: Adopted H. Con. Res. 193, extending congressional felicitations to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the 175th anniversary of the establishment of its constitution. Pages 11364–11365

Legion of Valor: H. R. 3786, to incorporate the Army and Navy Legion of Valor of the United States, was cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. Pages 11367–11369

Taxes: Considered and passed the following bills from the Committee on Ways and Means:

Internal Revenue Code: H. R. 6263, amending section 1233 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, amended;

Foreign tax credits: H. R. 6728, relating to carryback and carryover of foreign tax credit, amended;

Cigarette tax collection: H. R. 6886, to amend the act entitled "An Act to assist States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes";

Internal Revenue Code: H. R. 6999, to amend section 1321 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, amended; and

Radio and television: H. R. 7024, to remove the manufacturers excise tax from sales of certain component parts and on certain radio and television apparatus, amended. Pages 11369–11375

Indian Lands: Insisted on its amendments to S. 34, to provide for the leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Engle, Haley, Udall, Berry, and Rhodes of Arizona. Page 11375

Public Lands: H. R. 2972, to require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights, was cleared for the President by House concurrence in Senate amendments thereto. Page 11375

D. C. Legislation: The consideration of legislation pertaining to the District of Columbia was in order and the following bills were considered and passed:

Cleared for the President:

Jewish War Veterans: S. 1741, to exempt from taxation certain property of the Jewish War Veterans in the D. C.;

Public utilities reports: S. 2176, to repeal requirement that public utilities in D. C. must submit annual reports to Congress;

Public utilities dividends: S. 2177, to repeal the prohibition against declaration of stock dividends by public utilities in D. C.;

D. C. Police salaries: S. 2428 (in lieu of H. R. 7159), to increase the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police Force, Fire Department of D. C., U. S. Park Police, and White House Police;

D. C. Police back pay: S. 2427 (in lieu of H. R. 2601), authorizing payment of compensation to members of Metropolitan Police Force, U. S. Park Police, White House Police Force, and the Fire Department of the District of Columbia, for duty performed on their days off, when such days off are suspended during an emergency;

D. C. hairdressers: S. 667, to exempt meetings of associations of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists from provisions of the Cosmetology Act and the License Act; and

D. C. teachers' salaries: S. 1093, to increase the salaries of D. C. teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

School employee benefits: S. 665, to revise section 3 of the D. C. Public School Food Services Act regarding employee benefits; and

Small loans: H. R. 6775, D. C. Small Loans Act of 1955.

Sent to the Senate without amendment:

Driver training courses: H. R. 7061, to authorize the borrowing of certain motor vehicles for use in driver training courses in certain D. C. schools.

Pages 11379–11397

D. C. Delegates: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Harris, Abernethy, Davis of Georgia, Simpson of Illinois, and O'Hara of Minnesota. Page 11397

Reserve Forces: By a record vote of 315 yeas to 78 nays the House adopted the conference report on H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces, and sent the bill to the Senate. A motion to recommit the legislation was rejected by a voice vote. Pages 11397–11411

Old Colony Conveyance: H. R. 6980, providing for the conveyance of the Old Colony project to the Boston Housing Authority, was cleared for the White House when the House agreed to Senate amendments thereto. Page 11411

U. S. Marshals: Passed S. 2592, increasing mileage allowance for U. S. marshals from 7 cents to 10 cents per miles, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Page 11411

Donable Commodities: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 2851, to make agricultural commodities owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation available to persons in need in areas of acute distress; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cooley, Poage, Grant, Jennings, Hope, August H. Andresen, and Hill. Page 11411

Mexican Agricultural Workers: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 3822, to extend until June 30, 1957, the Mexican farm-labor program; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Cooley, Poage, Gathings, Grant, Hope, August H. Andresen, and Hill as conferees. Pages 11411–11412

Bills Referred: Seventy-six Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 11421–11422

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:31 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITIES—DESERT LANDS

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported to the House S. 1051, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act regarding fees for registrations and renewals of certificates.

Also considered, but took no action on, H. J. Res. 313, authorizing the Commodity Credit Corporation until March 1, 1956, to sell at the point of storage any feed grain owned by the Corporation at 10 percent above the current support price for the commodity; and S. 1472, to extend financial assistance to desert-land entrymen on public land.

Testimony on S. 1051 was received from Rodger Kauffman, Administrator, Commodity Exchange Authority, U. S. Department of Agriculture; on H. J. Res. 313—Lloyd Case, Associate Director, Grain Division, Commodity Stabilization Service; and on S. 1472—R. B. McLeaish, Farmers Home Administrator; and Henry Smith, the Assistant Administrator.

RICE

Committee on Agriculture: The Thompson (Texas) subcommittee today considered H. R. 7367, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act, to provide that no national acreage allotment for rice shall be established which is less than 85 percent of the final allotment established for the immediately preceding year. Testimony was received on the proposal from John H. Dean, Assistant Deputy Administrator (Price Supports), Commodity Credit Corporation; J. A. Satterfield, grain marketing specialist, Commodity Credit Corporation; Rudolph E. Patzic, Grain Division, Department of Agriculture, and representatives of rice-producing organizations from Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas.

RESERVE OFFICERS

Committee on the Armed Services: The Brooks (Louisiana) subcommittee further considered H. R. 6725, providing a lump-sum readjustment payment for Reserve officers who are involuntarily released from active

duty. Representatives of the Department of the Army testified on the proposal today along with Col. Justice Chambers, assistant executive director, Reserve Officers' Association. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CAPITAL TRANSIT STRIKE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Began a study of pending proposals to terminate the strike against the Capital Transit Co. in the District of Columbia. Today's witnesses were Vernon West, D. C. Corporation Counsel; and Walter J. Bierwagen, president, Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway, and Motor Coach Employees of America, AFL. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

STATE DEPARTMENT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met for executive briefing today with the Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles.

INDIANS

Committee on the Interior and Indian Affairs: The Haley subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—

H. R. 5566, amended, to terminate the existence of the Indian Claims Commission;

H. R. 6418, amended, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to lease unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Ariz.;

H. R. 6804, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to distribute equally to members of the Kaw Tribe of Indians certain moneys to the credit of the tribe in the U. S. Treasury;

H. R. 6945, to permit per capita payments to the individual members of the Shoshone Tribe and the Arapaho Tribe of the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming, to be made quarterly.

Representatives Thompson of Wyoming and Belcher, authors of H. R. 6945 and 6804, respectively, explained the objectives of their proposals. Perry W. Morton, Assistant Attorney General, Lands Division, Department of Justice, was heard in connection with H. R. 6418. Testimony on H. R. 5566 was presented by H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Lewis Sigler, Office of the Solicitor, Department of the Interior; Glen A. Wilkinson, attorney, of Washington, D. C., and William Zimmerman, representing the Association of American Indian Affairs.

TIN INDUSTRY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Mines and Mining gave executive consideration to H. R. 7145, to encourage the discovery, development, and production of tin in the United States, its Territories and possessions. Took no action and adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Subcommittee on Public Lands held a hearing last Saturday on H. R. 4883, to establish a general policy with respect to payments to State and local governments on account of Federal real property and tangible personal property by providing for the taxation of certain Federal property and for payments in connection with certain other Federal property. Witnesses testifying on the proposed legislation were William R. MacDougall, secretary-treasurer, Western Regional District of the National Association of County Officials; Lester Coffin, chairman, Federal lands committee of California State Supervisors' Association; and Keith L. Seegmiller, general counsel of the National Association of County Officials.

IRRIGATION AND RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee ordered the following bills reported to the full committee at last Saturday's meeting—

H. J. Res. 353, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to execute a certain contract with the Toston Irrigation District, Montana;

H. R. 1603, to terminate the prohibition against employment of Mongolian labor in the construction of reclamation projects;

H. R. 5169, to amend the act of 1937, authorizing the construction of a Federal reclamation project to furnish a water supply for the lands of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District in New Mexico;

H. R. 5806, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to execute a repayment contract with the Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Gila project, Arizona; and

S. 180, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma.

Also referred to the full committee, without recommendation, H. R. 5749, providing for Federal construction and operation of the Ainsworth unit of the Missouri River Basin project (to be held in full committee pending receipt of final project planning report); and referred H. R. 310, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma, with recommendation to table.

Recessed until next Wednesday, July 27, when it will resume on legislation relating to the Fryingpan-Arkansas reclamation project in Colorado.

WOC EMPLOYEES

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems began hearings today in connection

with its study of certain aspects of the employment of persons "without compensation" in Government agencies. Today's witnesses were Charles F. Honeywell, Administrator, Business and Defense Services Administration, Department of Commerce; H. B. McCoy, the Deputy Administrator; and Philip A. Ray, General Counsel, of the Department of Commerce. Mr. Honeywell is scheduled to resume tomorrow morning.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 ordered reported favorably to the full committee 13 private claim bills (12 of the House and 1 of the Senate), and reported adversely on 6 private claim bills of the House.

Also reported favorably on H. R. 1761, to relieve certain veterans who relied on an erroneous interpretation of the law from liability to repay a portion of the subsistence allowances which they received under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944; and H. R. 5399, to extend to uniformed members of the Armed Forces the same protection against bodily attack as is now granted to personnel of the Coast Guard (reported adversely on 3 similar bills—H. R. 5205, 5279, and 5308).

WATERWAYS—POLLUTION CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act;

H. R. 6309, to authorize construction of the Mississippi River-gulf outlet; and

H. R. 7195, to provide for the reconveyance of lands in certain reservoir projects in Texas to former owners of such lands.

PENNSYLVANIA PROJECT

Committee on Public Works: The Davis (Tennessee) subcommittee considered the Sandy Lick flood-control project, located at Brookfield, Pa. Heard Representative Gavin on the proposal, along with Col. H. W. Penney, who represented the Corps of Engineers. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it will consider a Columbia River project.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule providing for 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 7474, the Federal-State highway construction program. All sections of the bill are open to amendment except section 4, which deals with the proposed tax increases. Only amendments directed by the Committee on Public Works will be considered to this section. Testifying on the proposed legislation today were Representatives Fallon, McGregor, Steed, Scudder, Wilson of Indiana, Dondero, Jones of Alabama, Smith of Mississippi, and Ayres.

Recessed until tomorrow morning when a rule request will be considered on H. R. 6645, to amend the Natural Gas Act.

TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4581, amended, to reduce excise tax on cutting oils to 3 cents per gallon;

H. R. 5249, providing for a refund or credit of taxes paid on distilled spirits rendered unmarketable as result of hurricanes of 1954;

H. R. 7095, to exempt from admissions tax athletic events held for the benefit of the U. S. Olympic Association; and

H. R. 7364, relating to the application of the documentary stamp tax to transfers of certain installment obligations.

Recessed until tomorrow afternoon to further consider members' proposals, with an open morning session on H. R. 5367, relating to Federal taxes on bonded distilled spirits.

FEDERAL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Evins subcommittee announced resumption of its hearings for Wednesday, July 27, to study organization procedures of Federal regulatory agencies. FTC officials are scheduled for further testimony.

Joint Committee Meetings

NUCLEAR-POWERED SUBMARINES

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Research and Development, in executive session, heard from the following representatives of the Navy Department and AEC regarding the Navy's plans for nuclear-propelled submarines, and other atomic energy matters: Vice Adm. R. P. Briscoe, Deputy CNO for Air; Rear Adm. G. C. Wright, Director, AEC Division, Office of CNO; Capt. Bernard I. McMahon, head of Submarine Warfare Branch, Navy; James H. Smith, Jr., Assistant Secretary of Navy for Air; and Comdr. Marshall U. Beebe and Theodore Rockwell, Division of Reactor Development, both of AEC.

MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE

Conferees on S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 by increasing the national minimum hourly wage from 75 cents to $1, met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement and will meet again tomorrow.

Tuesday, July 26, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed supplemental appropriations, and cleared for President Reserve Forces bill.

House worked on highway construction bill.

Bill to amend the Natural Gas Act cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11450–11466

Bills Introduced: 12 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2631–S. 2642; S. J. Res. 95; and S. Con. Res. 53. **Pages 11454, 11496**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1917, authorizing construction of a national highway in Grand Teton National Park (S. Rept. 1141);

H. R. 291, to extend the retirement income-tax credit to members of the Armed Forces (S. Rept. 1142);

H. R. 542, relative to income tax withheld on noncash remuneration to retail commission salesmen (S. Rept. 1143);

H. R. 3437, to provide for a maximum manufacturers' excise tax on leases of certain automobile utility trailers (S. Rept. 1144);

H. R. 3712, relating to claims for floor stocks refunds (S. Rept. 1145);

H. R. 5936, to provide wage credits under title II of the Social Security Act of military service before April 1, 1956, and to permit application for lump-sum benefits under such title to be made within 2 years after interment or reinterment in the case of servicemen dying overseas before April 1, 1956 (S. Rept. 1146);

H. R. 6886, to amend the act relating to assistance to States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes (S. Rept. 1147);

H. R. 7148, income-tax exemption for certain dependents in the Republic of the Philippines (S. Rept. 1148);

H. R. 6887, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to income of a railroad corporation from discharge of indebtedness, with amendments (S. Rept. 1149);

H. R. 100, to permit the mining development, and utilization of mineral resources of public lands withdrawn for power development, with amendments (S. Rept. 1150);

H. R. 727, to direct conveyance of certain lands to the Pecwan Union School District (California) (S. Rept. 1151); and

S. 2576, to amend the joint resolution to authorize the merger of street-railway corporations operating in D. C., with amendments (S. Rept. 1152). **Pages 11453–11454**

Bills Referred: Seven House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Page 11450**

Reserve Forces: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President H. R. 7000, to provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces. **Pages 11466–11469**

Bills Sent to Conference: Senate insisted on its amendments to the following bills, agreed to conferences requested thereon, and appointed conferees as indicated:

H. R. 2851, to make agricultural commodities owned by the CCC available to persons in need in areas of acute distress—conferees: Senators Ellender, Holland, Anderson, Aiken, and Williams;

H. R. 3822, to extend for 3½ years the Mexican farm labor program—conferees: Senators Ellender, Johnston (South Carolina), Holland, Aiken, and Young;

H. R. 4778, to provide for purchase of bonds to cover postmasters, officers, and employees of the Post Office Department, and mail clerks of the Armed Forces—conferees: Senators Johnston (South Carolina), Neely, and Carlson;

H. R. 191, to regulate election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions—conferees: Senators Morse, Bible, and Hruska; and

Senate disagreed to House amendments to S. 1093, to increase salaries of D. C. teachers, school officers, and other employees of the Board of Education, asked for a conference with House, and appointed Senators Bible, Gore, and Beall as conferees. **Pages 11455, 11484–11485**

St. Louis Flood Control: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 56, authorizing the construction of certain public works on the Mississippi River for protection of St. Louis, Mo. **Page 11466**

West Virginia Rubber Plant: Senate passed H. R. 7301, to permit the disposal of Plancor No. 980 at Institute, W. Va., after adopting several Fulbright amendments to extend time for receipt of proposals and to conduct negotiations on such sale by 60 and 75 days, respectively. **Pages 11483–11484**

D. C. Police and Firemen: S. Con. Res. 53, authorizing Secretary of Senate to make certain changes in enrollment of S. 2428, to increase the salaries of officers and

members of Metropolitan Police Force, Fire Department of D. C., U. S. Park Police, and White House Police, was adopted. Page 11496

Massachusetts Constitution: H. Con. Res. 193, extending congressional felicitations to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on the 175th anniversary of the establishment of its constitution, was adopted. Page 11497

Supplemental Appropriations: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 7278, supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1956, after taking the following actions on amendments thereto:

Adopted: By unanimous consent, all committee amendments en bloc, their language to be considered as original text for purpose of amendment; Hayden amendment respecting expenses of travel authorized by Chairman of Tariff Commission; Thye amendment providing additional funds of $15 million for loan authorization under title II of Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended by Sparkman amendment providing $25 million for loans under title V of Housing Act of 1949, as amended, contingent upon the enactment during this session of Congress of S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955, and providing $1.3 million for salaries and expenses, Farmers' Home Administration (Thye amendment if unamended would have provided $350,000 for Farmers' Home Administration); and Curtis amendment providing $2,667,000 for medical facilities at Lincoln Air Force Base, Lincoln, Nebr.; and

Rejected: Neuberger amendment to reduce by $1,000 funds for military construction, Army Department (Wichita Mountain Wild Life Refuge-Fort Sill Military Reservation).

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Hayden, Russell, Chavez, Ellender, Hill, Stennis, Bridges, Saltonstall, Young, Knowland, and Thye.

Pages 11469, 11487–11508

Construction Contracts Policy: Senate made its unfinished business S. 1644, prescribing policy and procedure in connection with construction contracts made by executive agencies. Page 11511

Additional Appropriations: Communications from President transmitting 10 proposed supplemental appropriations were received, referred to Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 72 to 81, inclusive. Pages 11450–11451

Rockland Harbor, Maine: Letter from Secretary of Army transmitting report dated June 22, 1955, from Chief of Army Engineers, together with accompanying papers and illustration, on review of reports on Rockland Harbor, Maine, as requested by resolution of Public Works Committee on September 14, 1954, was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 82. Page 11454

Authority To Report: All standing committees were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 11512

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:33 p. m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of H. R. 7117, fiscal 1956 appropriations for legislative branch, but made no announcements.

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction held hearings on the following bills:

On S. 637, conveyance of Camps Livingston and Beauregard, and Esler Field, La., to the State of Louisiana, with testimony from Senator Long;

On S. 1959, conveyance of land in Harris County, Tex., to the State of Texas, with testimony from Senator Daniel;

On H. R. 46, conveyance of certain property in Fort McClellan to city of Anniston, Ala., with testimony from Senator Sparkman and Representative Roberts;

On H. R. 1459, conveyance of land in Orange County to village of Highland Falls, N. Y., with testimony from Representative St. George; and

On S. 2519, to amend act providing for sale of Port Newark Army Base to city of Newark, N. J., with testimony from Senator Case (New Jersey), Frank Ewing, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Properties and Installations, and Albert L. King, director of marine terminals for Port of New York Authority.

Subcommittee made no announcements and recessed subject to call.

D. C. CAPITAL TRANSIT CO.

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the Senate with amendments S. 2576, to amend the joint resolution to authorize the merger of street-railway corporations operating in D. C. Major amendments to the bill would (1) give the D. C. Commissioners an alternative to provide public transportation by contract or in any other manner that may be necessary, and (2) grant the Commissioners the power, with approval of the Maryland Public Service Commission, to provide public transportation within the State of Maryland.

Prior to this action, the Public Health Subcommittee ordered this bill reported to the full committee.

D. C. ASSESSORS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Business and Commerce held hearings on S. 2578, to amend the law relating to residence of Assistant Assessors for D. C. Testimony favoring the bill was heard

from Irving Bryan, Assistant Corporation Counsel for D. C.; James L. Martin, D. C. Finance Officer; and Carey Winston, president, Washington Real Estate Board. Testifying in opposition to the bill were Joseph Kaufman, Federation of Citizens Associations; Herbert Leeman, Central Suffrage Conference; Woolsey Hall, the Central Northwest Citizens Association; and Culver Chamberlain, Democratic Central Committee.

SOCIAL SECURITY, AND COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment; H. R. 291, to extend the retirement income-tax credit to members of the Armed Forces; H. R. 6886, to amend the act relating to assistance to States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes; H. R. 3437, to provide for a maximum manufacturers' excise tax on leases of certain automobile utility trailers; H. R. 542, relative to income tax withheld on noncash remuneration to retail commission salesmen; H. R. 3712, relating to claims for floor stocks refunds; H. R. 7148, income-tax exemption for certain dependents in the Republic of the Philippines; and H. R. 5936, to provide wage credits under title II of the Social Security Act for military service before April 1, 1956, and to permit application for lump-sum benefits under such title to be made within 2 years after interment or reinterment in the case of servicemen dying overseas before April 1, 1956;

With an amendment H. R. 6887, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to income of a railroad corporation from discharge of indebtedness (amendment would add context of S. 1820, to allow deduction under Federal estate tax for certain death taxes imposed by a State upon bequests or devises for public, charitable, and religious uses); and

The nominations of Arthur C. Carmichael, of California, to be Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, and Craig S. Atkins, of Maryland, to be a judge of the U. S. Tax Court.

Committee deferred action until January 1956 on H. R. 7201, relating to the taxation of income of insurance companies.

Prior to this action, the committee, in open session, heard Secretary Hobby present the views of the Department of HEW with respect to H. R. 7225, social security amendments of 1955. Mrs. Hobby recommended the committee's thorough and deliberate consideration of the broad issues raised by this bill.

INVESTIGATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings with regard to interest of Secretary of Air Force Harold Talbott in the Paul B. Mulligan Co., of New York. Witnesses heard today were Secretary Talbott, John A. Johnson, General Counsel, Department of Air Force, and George B. Gelly, Washington, D. C., representative for Douglas Aircraft, Inc. Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS APPROVED

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—H. R. 4663, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws; H. R. 3587, granting consent of Congress to compact between Oregon and California relating to waters of the Klamath River; S. 1965, to repeal a particular contractual requirement with respect to the Arch Hurley Conservancy District in New Mexico; S. 2556, to provide assistance for certain landless Indians in Montana; S. J. Res. 82, authorizing execution of a certain contract with the Toston Irrigation District, Montana; S. 2087, to permit per capita payments to members of Shoshone and Arapahoe Tribes in Wyoming; H. R. 727, to direct conveyance of certain lands to the Pecwan Union School District (California); and H. R. 898, 910, and 4718, private bills; and

With amendment—H. R. 6373, to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals; H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of mineral resources of public lands withdrawn for power development; S. 1818, to limit amount of land on Federal irrigation projects which may be exchanged by veteran settlers on other irrigation projects; and S. 2197, authorizing equal distribution to members of Kaw Tribe of certain moneys to the credit of the tribe in the U. S. Treasury.

INTERNATIONAL AIR AGREEMENTS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Special subcommittee continued its hearings on international air agreements, hearing testimony from Samuel C. Waugh, Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, accompanied by J. Paul Barringer, Office of Transport and Communications, Alberta Colclaser, Air Transport Relations, and Stanley D. Metzger, Assistant Legal Adviser for Economic Affairs, all of State Department; and Ross Rizley, Chairman, accompanied by G. Nathan Calkins, Jr., General Counsel's Office, Joseph C. Watson, Bureau of Air Operations, and Mary C. Hillyer, Air Transport Examiner, all of Civil Aeronautics Board. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on the nomination of Joe Ewing Estes to be U. S. district judge for the northern district of Texas.

OIL PIPELINE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on a matter relating to a proposed pipeline running from Montana into Wyoming, hearing testimony today from representatives of the Standard Pipe Line Co. of Atlanta and the Shell Oil Co.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION—LABOR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor held hearings on the nomination of Newell Brown, of New Hampshire, to be Administrator of Wage and Hour Division, Labor Department, with testimony favoring his confirmation from Senators Bridges and Cotton, and Representative Bass (New Hampshire). Testifying in opposition to the nomination was Nelson Cruikshank, director of social insurance activities, AFL. Mr. Brown appeared in behalf of his own nomination.

These hearings were continued in an evening session.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Retirement Subcommittee held hearings on S. 2402, to increase the annuity benefits of retired Federal employees. Favoring testimony was heard from Senator Smathers; E. C. Hallbeck, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; Marcellus C. Sheild, National Association of Retired Civil Service Employees; James Campbell, AFGE; R. B. Kremers, National Association of Letter Carriers; George Riley, AFL; John L. Reilly, National Postal Transport Association; J. Austin Latimer, Association of Postmasters; C. B. Gravitt, National League of Postmasters; Luther Steward, National Federation of Federal Employees; Thomas G. Walters, Government Employees Council; Ross Messer, National Association of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees; Jess Horton, Postal Supervisors Association; Warren Bledsoe, Rural Letter Carriers; and Howard R. Stocker. Also favoring the bill, but suggesting certain amendments, were Warren B. Irons, Civil Service Commission; and C. L. Dorson, Retirement Federation of Civil Service Employees.

LEASE-PURCHASE PROJECTS

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Buildings, in executive session, approved for full committee action the following lease-purchase projects: Post offices at Grundy, Va., Refugio, Tex., West Memphis, Ark., Cashmere, Wash., Madison, Tenn., Jefferson, Ohio, Camden, N. Y., Fort Mill, S. C., New Richmond, Wis., Toronto, Ohio, Newtown, Pa., Skaneateles, N. Y., and Maplewood, N. J.; main post-office building at Houston, Tex.; post office and Federal building at Burlington, Iowa, and New Orleans, La.; post office and courthouse at Burlington, Vt.; United Nations building at New York, N. Y.; Federal office building at Richmond, Va.; and courthouse and Federal building at Minneapolis, Minn.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 29 public bills, H. R. 7595–7623; 5 private bills, H. R. 7624–7628; and 17 resolutions, H. J. Res. 400–412, H. Con. Res. 194, and H. Res. 315–317, were introduced. **Pages 11521, 11574, 11597–11598**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 2728 and 7114, private bills (H. Repts. 1404 and 1405, respectively);

Proceedings against John T. Gojack (H. Rept. 1406);

Conference report on H. J. Res. 157, establishing a Commission on Government Security (H. Rept. 1407);

Nine private bills, H. R. 1097, 4326, 5913, 6363, 7221, 6741, 5866, 3276, and S. 1353 (H. Repts. 1408–1416, respectively);

H. R. 5948, to prohibit the acquisition of assets of other banks by banks, banking associations, or trust companies, under the Clayton Act, when the effect may be to substantially lessen competition, or to tend to create a monopoly, amended (H. Rept. 1417);

H. R. 5055, relating to active service credit for cadets and midshipmen serving in Spanish War and World War I (H. Rept. 1418);

H. R. 5516, to provide that service as an Army field clerk, or as a field clerk, Quartermaster Corps, shall be counted for purposes of retirement under title III of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948, amended (H. Rept. 1419);

H. R. 6622, for the relief of certain rural carriers (H. Rept. 1420);

H. R. 6634, to provide for the conveyance of certain land within the Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project to the city of Grapevine, Tex., for sewage disposal purposes (H. Rept. 1421);

H. R. 7121, to validate payments of mileage made to U. S. Army and Air Force personnel pursuant to permanent change-of-station orders authorizing travel by commercial aircraft (H. Rept. 1422);

Interim report of Select Committee on Small Business on alleged coercive and discriminating practices against retail gasoline operators by oil company suppliers (H. Rept. 1423);

H. R. 3080, a private bill (H. Rept. 1424);

S. 1051, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act regarding fees for registrations and renewals of certificates (H. Rept. 1425);

S. 2253, to reemphasize trade development as the primary purpose of title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (H. Rept. 1426);

Five private bills, H. R. 4602, 4872, 5285, 5533, and 6452 (H. Repts. 1427–1431, respectively);

H. R. 2383, to authorize the establishment of an Inventive Contributions Awards Board within the Department of Defense (H. Rept. 1432);

Two private bills, H. R. 4039 and S. Con. Res. 42 (H. Repts. 1433 and 1434, respectively);

H. R. 2430, to release certain restrictions on certain real property heretofore granted to the city of Charleston, S. C. (H. Rept. 1435);

H. R. 6725, providing a lump-sum readjustment payment for Reserve officers who are involuntarily released from active duty (H. Rept. 1436);

H. R. 6309, to authorize construction of the Mississippi River-gulf outlet (H. Rept. 1437);

H. R. 2619, to amend section 345 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1951, relative to credits or refunds of the tax on the income of certain trusts (H. Rept. 1438);

H. R. 4668, to amend section 4021 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, relative to "aromatic cachous" (H. Rept. 1439);

H. R. 5647, repealing the manufacturers excise tax on motorcycles (H. Rept. 1440);

H. R. 7245, to provide for assistance to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities, amended (H. Rept. 1441);

H. R. 2097, to make certain increases in the annuities of annuitants under the Foreign Service retirement and disability system, amended (H. Rept. 1442);

H. R. 6808, amending section 73 (1) of the Hawaiian Organic Act, amended (H. Rept. 1443);

S. 2260, granting consent to Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to a compact on the Red River (H. Rept. 1444);

H. Res. 317, providing for the consideration of, and 3 hours of debate on, H. R. 6645, to amend the Natural Gas Act, as amended (H. Rept. 1445); and

S. 890, to extend and strengthen the Water Pollution Control Act (H. Rept. 1446). Pages 11596–11597

Constitution Week: Adopted S. Con. Res. 40, designating period September 17–23, 1955, as Constitution Week, and thus completed action on the measure.

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Contempt Citation: By a voice vote the House adopted H. Res. 315, citing John T. Gojack for contempt of the House of Representatives by refusal to answer questions before the Committee on Un-American Activities.

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Navy, Marine Corps: Cleared H. R. 2109, the Navy, Marine Corps Officers Augmentation Act, for Presidential action by concurring in Senate amendments thereto. Page 11522

Bill Recommitted: Pursuant to a unanimous-consent request, H. R. 5297, to provide for the strengthening of the Reserve Forces, was recommitted to the Committee on Armed Services. Page 11522

State Militia: Passed H. R. 7289, to authorize the States to organize and maintain State defense forces.

Pages 11524–11525

International Claims: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Richards, Zablocki, Dodd, Vorys, and Frances P. Bolton. Page 11530

Highway Construction Program: Adopted, by a roll-call vote of 274 yeas to 129 nays, H. Res. 314, the modified open rule providing for 3 hours debate on H. R. 7474, the Federal-State highway construction bill. During the consideration of the bill, a substitute amendment was offered by Mr. Dondero to substitute the provisions of H. R. 7494, a similar bill, for the text of H. R. 7474; and subsequently the provisions of H. R. 7542 were offered as a substitute for the Dondero amendment, by Mr. Thompson of Louisiana. The Thompson substitute was rejected by a division vote of 89 yeas to 178 nays.

An amendment to the Dondero amendment to require the payment of prevailing wages on highway projects was adopted.

When the Committee of the Whole rose there was pending the Dondero substitute amendment.

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Cleared for the President: The following bills were cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto:

Oliver Wendell Holmes devise: H. R. 7029, to establish a permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes devise;

Louisiana property conveyance: H. R. 5512, to provide for the conveyance of certain property under the jurisdiction of the Housing and Home Finance Administration to the State of Louisiana;

D. C. Armory Board: H. R. 6259, to amend section 8 of the act of 1948 relative to certain expense authorizations being advanced to the D. C. Armory Board; and

Reserve component facilities: H. R. 2107, to amend the National Defense Facilities Act of 1950 to provide for additional facilities necessary for the administration and training of units of the Reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States. Pages 11574–11576

Salk Medal: Adopted H. J. Res. 278, to provide that a gold medal be coined and presented to Dr. Jonas E. Salk in honor of his achievements in the field of medicine.

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D. C. Teachers: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed Representatives Abernethy, Davis of Georgia, Jones of North Carolina, Miller of Nebraska, and Hyde, conferees. Page 11575

D. C. Police and Firemen: Adopted S. Con. Res. 53, authorizing Secretary of Senate to make certain changes in enrollment of S. 2428, to increase the salaries of officers and members of Metropolitan Police Force, Fire Department of D. C., U. S. Park Police, and White House Police. Page 11575

Texas Land Conveyance: Passed H. R. 593, to convey by quitclaim deed certain land to Texas.

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Texas Historic Medals: Passed H. R. 7244, to provide for the issuance of medals in commemoration of the 120th anniversary of the signing of the Texas declaration of independence and the battles of the Alamo, Goliad, and San Jacinto. Pages 11576–11577

Bills Referred: 10 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 11494

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:52 p. m.

Committee Meetings

RICE

Committee on Agriculture: The Thompson (Texas) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 7367, amended, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act to provide that the 1956 national acreage allotment on rice shall be established which is less than 85 percent of the final allotment established for the immediately preceding year.

OFFICERS—DEFENSE—REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2430, amended, to release certain restrictions on real property heretofore granted to Charleston, S. C.;

H. R. 5516, amended, to provide that service as an Army field clerk or as a field clerk, Quartermaster Corps, shall be counted for purposes of retirement under title III of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act;

H. R. 6725, amended, to provide a lump-sum readjustment payment for Reserve officers who are involuntarily released from active duty; and

H. R. 7289, to authorize the States to organize and maintain State defense forces.

Also approved miscellaneous real-estate and construction projects of the three branches of the Defense Department, which were reported by the Rivers Subcommittee on Acquisitions and Disposals.

MILITARY OIL REQUIREMENTS

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert Investigating Subcommittee resumed hearings today in connection with its study of supply sources of oil and other petroleum products for the west coast of the United States for military and other requirements. Received testimony from Lowell Glasco, president of the West Coast Pipeline Co. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CAPITAL TRANSIT STRIKE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Concluded public hearings on pending legislative proposals to settle the strike against the Capital Transit Co. in the District of Columbia. Received testimony today from Representative Hoffman of Michigan, regarding his proposal (H. R. 7211); J. A. B. Broadwater, president, Capital Transit Co.; Jay C. Turner, vice president, Washington Central Labor Union; Edward Carr, president, Washington Board of Trade; and Burt Dimond, representing the Americans for Democratic Action. Executive action on the subject is expected at a date soon to be announced.

EDUCATION AND LIBRARY FACILITY ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2840, to provide Federal aid to the States for the demonstration of public library service in rural areas without such service or with inadequate library facilities; and

H. R. 7245, amended, to extend and improve the program of assistance under Public Laws 815 and 874 (81st Cong.) to local educational agencies in the areas affected by Federal activities.

FOREIGN SERVICE—STATUS OF FORCES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: In executive session ordered reported to the House H. R. 2097 amended, making increases in annuities of annuitants under the Foreign Service retirement and disability system.

In open session, continued hearings on H. J. Res. 309, and similar resolutions, providing for revision of the Status of Forces Agreement so that foreign countries will not have criminal jurisdiction over American Armed Forces personnel stationed within their boundaries. Witnesses heard on this subject were Robert Murphy, Deputy Under Secretary of State; J. Lee Rankin, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; and Monroe Leigh, Assistant General Counsel for International Matters, Department of Defense.

PUBLIC LANDS—INDIANS—RECLAMATION—HAWAII

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 585, amended, to authorize the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of the Lower Lake Rancheria;

H. R. 1603, to terminate the prohibition against employment of Mongolian labor in the construction or reclamation projects;

H. R. 5169, to amend the act of 1937, authorizing the construction of a Federal reclamation project to

furnish a water supply for the lands of the Arch Hurley Conservancy District in New Mexico;

H. R. 5566, amended, to terminate the existence of the Indian Claims Commission;

H. R. 6418, amended, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to lease unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Ariz.;

H. R. 6461, to amend section 73 (i) of the Hawaiian Organic Act, relating to land assessments in irrigation projects;

H. R. 6463, to ratify and confirm certain Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945, and Session Laws of Hawaii, 1951, and the sales of public lands consummated pursuant to the terms of said statutes;

H. R. 6625, to provide for the transfer of title to certain land and the improvements thereon to the Pueblo of San Lorenzo (Pueblo of Picuris);

H. R. 6804, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to distribute equally to members of the Kaw Tribe of Indians, certain moneys to the credit of the tribe in the U. S. Treasury;

H. R. 6807, to authorize the amendment of certain patents of Government lands containing restrictions as to use of such lands in the Territory of Hawaii;

H. R. 6808, amended, to amend section 73 (1) of the Hawaiian Organic Act relating to sales of tracts and lots;

H. R. 6824, a private Hawaiian land bill;

H. R. 6927, amended, a private land bill in Dunseith, N. Dak.;

H. R. 6945, to permit per capita payments to the individual members of the Shoshone Tribe and the Arapaho Tribe of the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming, to be made quarterly;

H. R. 7248, to amend the act extending the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah so as to authorize such State to exchange certain mineral lands for other lands mineral in character;

H. R. 7284, amended, to provide for the conveyance to the State of North Dakota for use as a State historic site, of the land where Chief Sitting Bull was originally buried.

H. J. Res. 353, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to execute a certain contract with the Toston Irrigation District, Montana; and

S. 2260, amended, granting consent to Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to a compact on the Red River.

Bills were ordered tabled similar to those above reported (H. R. 5241, 5242, 5251, 5259, 5313, and 6330). Recessed until tomorrow morning.

URBICULTURE

Committee on Government Operations: The Dawson (Illinois) subcommittee held a hearing on H. R. 1864, to create a Department of Urbiculture, and to prescribe its functions. Received testimony on the proposed legislation from Representative Younger, author of the measure; Albert M. Cole, Housing and Home Finance Administrator; Percy Rappaport, Assistant Director, Bureau of the Budget; Dr. William L. C. Wheaton, National Housing Conference; Carl Feiff, American Institute of Planners; Deane Seeger, American Municipal Association; and Oscar Sutermeister, city planner, Bethesda, Md.

SOUTHWEST ELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff subcommittee resumed its hearings to review actions of the Department of the Interior, and related agencies, in the sale of electric power from Federal dams in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, and Louisiana. Testimony was received today from Representative Jensen, of Iowa. Recessed until Thursday morning.

OREGON HOSPITAL STUDY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Approved a motion that Chairman Engle request the Comptroller General, through the General Accounting Office, to conduct and investigate an audit of operations and accounts of the Sanitarium Co., an Oregon corporation, doing business as the Morningside Hospital, in Portland, Oreg.

WOC EMPLOYEES

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems continued hearings today in connection with its study of certain aspects of employment of persons "without compensation" in Government agencies. Received further testimony from Charles F. Honeywell, Administrator, Business and Defense Services Administration, Department of Commerce. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

SHIP SALES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Completed public hearings on H. J. Res. 369, and related measures, authorizing the Secretary of Commerce to sell the steamship *Monterey;* and H. J. Res. 389, and related measures, authorizing the Secretary of Commerce to sell the steamship *LaGuardia.* Clarence G. Morse, Maritime Administrator, testified in connection with both proposals, as did Owen Kane, legislative attorney for the General Accounting Office. Creighton Peet, Jr., assistant vice president, Matson Navigation Co., was also heard on H. J. Res. 369, while other witnesses on H. J. Res. 389 were Thomas E. Stakem, Assistant to Deputy Maritime Administrator; Paul Sullivan, acting head, National Shipping Authority; Elmer Martin, president, Hawaiian Steamship Co., accompanied by counsel, Joseph A. Klausner; and Graydon Andrews, of

the GAO. Recessed until tomorrow morning for executive consideration of the two measures.

FEDERAL JOB GRADES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Davis (Georgia) subcommittee concluded public hearings on H. R. 3255, 3085, and 5887, bills which would provide in certain cases that a person holding a position subject to the Classification Act who is placed in a lower grade shall not receive less pay as a result thereof. Received testimony today from Representatives Merrow, Buckley, and Dorn of New York; Alfred F. Beiter, national president, National Customs Service Association, accompanied by Lester Levey, president of the New York City branch of the National Customs Service Association; Luther Steward, president, National Federation of Federal Employees; John S. Mears, of the legislative commission, the American Legion, accompanied by Clarence H. Olson, assistant legislative director; Russell M. Stephens, president, American Federation of Technical Engineers; Thomas G. Walters, operations director, Government Employees Council, AFL; W. H. Ryan, president, district 44, International Brotherhood of Machinists; and Edward M. McCabe, chairman, committee on legislation, National Association of Internal Revenue Employees.

Will consider this proposal in executive session tomorrow.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: The Davis (Tennessee) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 6110, to authorize the improvement of the Amite River and its tributaries, Louisiana.

Also held a hearing on H. R. 5789, to authorize the cooperation in financing and prosecution of the early development of the John Day project on the Columbia River, Oreg. and Wash., for navigation, irrigation, flood control, and power production. Witnesses heard on the proposal were Representative Coon, author of the bill; Brig. Gen. E. C. Itschner, representing the Corps of Engineers, and George H. Roderick, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil-Military Affairs). Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

NATURAL GAS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 3 hours of general debate on H. R. 6645, to exempt independent natural gas producers from Federal regulation. Proponent witnesses testifying were Representatives Harris, Priest, Hale, Dies, and Thomson of Wyoming. Opposition testimony was presented by Representatives Wolverton, Macdonald, Klein, Staggers, Yates, Heselton, Griffiths, Hayworth, and Vanik. Recessed until tomorrow morning when it is scheduled to consider rules for seven pending bills.

BENEFITS AND PENSIONS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Took the following actions at today's executive meeting—

Reported favorably to the House H. R. 5055, counting service in the Military, Naval, and Coast Guard Academies during the Spanish War and World War I as active service for the purpose of non-service-connected benefits;

Passed over H. J. Res. 110, to provide wartime benefits for veterans and dependents thereof who served in the Moro Province, and other islands of the Philippines, between 1902 and 1914; and

Passed over for further study in connection with a general study of pension increases was H. R. 2867, a bill to increase pensions for Spanish War widows to $75 per month.

TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 3653, amended, to place amorphous graphite on the duty-free list;

H. R. 4376, to place hand-woven fabrics on the duty-free list when used in religious vestments;

H. R. 5368, amended, to permit free importation of certain yarn;

H. R. 6122, to permit free importation of bells for The Citadel, South Carolina;

H. R. 6853, to exempt diplomatic officers and employees of foreign states from payment of internal revenue taxes on imported articles;

H. R. 7595, re Social Security-OASI—eliminating remarriage of widows as a bar to benefit payments if they are rewidowed within 1 year; and

H. R. 5368, 6853, and 7595 were not unanimously approved, and will be included in the "bobtail" bill which is being prepared by the committee.

BONDED DISTILLED SPIRITS

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on H. R. 5367, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide that the excise tax on distilled spirits will be payable at the time of withdrawal from bonded warehouse. Proponent witnesses heard today were Richard V. Gilbert, vice president, Schenley Industries, Inc.; Thompson Willett, president, Willett Distilling Co.; L. J. Gunson, president, Continental Distilling Corp.; Adolph Hirsch, Philadelphia, Pa.; William A. Thomson, Jr., president, Kentucky River Distillery, Inc.; W. M. Morrison, president, J. T. S. Brown's Son Co.; and Ernest W. Ripy, Lawrenceburg, Ky., vice president, Anderson County Distillery.

Opposition to the proposal was presented by Howard T. Jones, executive secretary, Distilled Spirits Institute;

Dan L. Street, executive vice president, Brown-Forman Distillers Corp.; Frank R. Schwengel, president, Joseph E. Seagrams & Sons, Inc.; and A. Smith Bowman, Jr., Sunset Hills Farm, Va.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC-POWERED VESSELS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Research and Development Subcommittee met in executive session for the consideration of procedures to be followed in handling bills providing for the construction of atomic-powered vessels. Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee met in executive session with regard to matters pertaining to the Dixon-Yates power contract and other Atomic Energy Commission business, hearing testimony from AEC officials.

ECONOMIC STATISTICS

Joint Committee on the Economic Report: Subcommittee on Economic Statistics held a panel discussion to receive testimony from a task group on savings statistics under the chairmanship of Raymond W. Goldsmith of R. W. Goldsmith Associates, Inc., Washington, D. C. Other members of this task group present were Solomon Barkin, Textile Workers Union of America; James J. O'Leary, Life Insurance Association of America; Roy L. Reierson, Bankers Trust Co.; Edward Shaw, Brookings Institution and Stanford University; and Dorothy S. Projector, Federal Reserve Board.

The subcommittee will hear the remainder of the task groups on October 4 and 5.

MEXICAN FARM LABOR

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 3822, to extend for 3½ years the Mexican farm-labor program. The Senate conferees receded from the Senate amendment to the bill.

FOOD DONATIONS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 2851, to make agricultural commodities owned by the CCC available to persons in need in areas of acute distress. The House conferees agreed to accept the Senate amendments to this bill.

MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE

Conferees on S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 by increasing the national minimum hourly wage from 75 cents to $1, met again in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement and will meet again tomorrow.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate ratified treaty with Germany, adopted conference reports on food donations, Mexican farm labor, and Government Security Commission, and passed bill on construction contracts.

Federal-State highway construction bill rejected by House.

Miscellaneous measures cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Conferees agreed to file reports on mutual security appropriations, and minimum wage.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 19 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2643–S. 2661; S. J. Res. 96 and 97; and S. Res. 140. **Pages 11620, 11624**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. J. Res. 82, authorizing execution of a certain contract with the Toston Irrigation District, Montana (S. Rept. 1153);

H. R. 4663, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws, with individual views of Senator Neuberger (S. Rept. 1154);

S. 1818, to limit amount of land on Federal irrigation projects which may be exchanged by veteran settlers on other irrigation projects, with amendments (S. Rept. 1155);

S. 1965, to repeal a particular contractual requirement with respect to the Arch Hurley Conservancy District in New Mexico (S. Rept. 1156);

H. R. 898, 910, 4718, 6232, private bills (S. Repts. 1157–1160, respectively);

H. R. 6373, to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals, with amendments (S. Rept. 1161);

H. R. 7024, to remove the manufacturers' excise tax from sales of certain component parts and on certain radio and television apparatus, with amendments (S. Rept. 1162);

S. 2286, to provide for the use of private shipping in transporting automobiles of Department of Defense personnel (S. Rept. 1163);

S. J. Res. 91, authorizing sale of steamship *LaGuardia,* with amendment (S. Rept. 1164);

S. J. Res. 92, authorizing sale of steamship *Monterey,* with amendment (S. Rept. 1165);

H. R. 3587, granting consent of Congress to compact between Oregon and California relating to waters of the Klamath River (S. Rept. 1166);

S. 2556, providing assistance for certain landless Indians in Montana (S. Rept. 1167);

S. 2087, to permit per capita payments to members of Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes in Wyoming, with amendment (S. Rept. 1168);

S. 2197, authorizing equal distribution to members of Kaw Tribe of certain moneys to the credit of the tribe in the U. S. Treasury, with amendment (S. Rept. 1169);

H. R. 6585, to amend the act to establish a code of law for the D. C. with regard to insanity pleas (S. Rept. 1170);

S. 2060, to incorporate in the Organic Act of the National Bureau of Standards the authority to use the working capital fund, with amendment (S. Rept. 1171);

S. J. Res. 97, to increase the authorization of amounts which may be appropriated to meet annual contributions of the U. S. to the Food and Agriculture Organization and the International Labor Organization (S. Rept. 1172);

S. Res. 71, favoring a reduction of armaments with a view to improving world living standards (S. Rept. 1173);

S. Res. 139, paying tribute to Sir Winston Churchill for his contributions in behalf of freedom and world peace (S. Rept. 1174); and

S. 2569, to provide certain basic authority for the Department of State (S. Rept. 1175). Pages 11619–11620

Bills Referred: Four House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 11618

German Treaty: By unanimous vote of 83 yeas, Senate adopted resolution of ratification on Treaty of Friendship, Commerce, and Navigation between U. S. and Federal Republic of Germany (Exec. E, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). Pages 11639–11646

Authority To Report: All standing committees were authorized to file reports during adjournment of Senate. Page 11646

Food Donations: Conference report on H. R. 2851, to make agricultural commodities owned by the CCC available to persons in need in areas of acute distress. Pages 11646–11647

Mexican Farm Labor: Conference report was adopted on H. R. 3822, to extend until June 30, 1957, the Mexican farm-labor program. Pages 11651–11652

Government Security Commission: Senate adopted conference report on H. J. Res. 157, to establish a Commission on Government Security. This clears the measure for the President. Page 11659

Construction Contracts: S. 1644, prescribing policy and procedure in connection with construction contracts made by executive agencies, was passed, after the following actions on amendments thereto:

Adopted: All committee amendments; two amendments of a technical clarifying nature offered by Senators Kilgore and Allott; and Morse amendment to eliminate section 4 (b) of the bill, respecting effect of acceptance by an executive agency of a bid or particular statement of a prime contractor; and

Rejected: Gore amendment (to committee amendment), respecting receipt by prime contractor of the lowest responsible bid. Pages 11647–11651, 11652–11669

Property Disposal—Boulder City, Nev.: Senate passed with committee amendments S. 514, to provide for disposal of certain Federal property in Boulder City, Nev., area. Pages 11672–11677

Woodrow Wilson Centennial: H. R. 6454, to amend joint resolution approved August 30, 1954, relating to establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission, was passed without amendment, clearing bill for White House. Pages 11677–11678

Contempt Citations: Senate adopted S. Res. 129, citation of Joseph Starobin for contempt of Senate.

Senate began consideration of S. Res. 130, citation of Harry Sacher for contempt of Senate, but the measure was put aside for consideration of another matter. Pages 11678–11679

Federal Retirement: Senate began consideration of S. 912, relating to a uniform retirement date for authorized retirements of Federal personnel, but the bill was put aside for the consideration of another matter. Page 11679

Mailing of Keys: H. R. 4808, to authorize transmission through the mail of certain keys, identification devices, and small articles, was passed after rejection of committee amendments. This action clears the bill for the White House. Pages 11679–11680

Railroad Retirement: H. R. 4744, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1947 and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act with regard to annuities, was made the Senate's unfinished business Page 11680

Confirmations: Four civilian nominations were confirmed, including those of Julian F. Harrington, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to Panama, and of Charles W. Yost, of New York, to be Ambassador to Laos. Page 11680

Nominations: Nominations of Francis O. Wilcox, of Iowa, to be an Assistant Secretary of State, and of Eric A. Johnston, of Washington, to be Chairman of International Development Advisory Board, were received, along with withdrawal of one postmaster.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:54 p. m.

Committee Meetings

FARM CREDIT ACT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with an amendment H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration. The amendment adopted would specify that present surpluses in banks for cooperatives shall not be distributed as dividends.

Full committee will meet tomorrow on this bill.

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: In an evening executive session, on July 26, subcommittee completed the markup of H. R. 7117, fiscal 1956 appropriations for legislative branch, and ordered the bill favorably reported to the full committee with amendments.

RADIO-TV TAX

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendment H. R. 7024, to remove the manufacturers' excise tax from sales of certain component parts and on certain radio and television apparatus (amendment would shift the burden of proof from taxpayer to the Government on all open sec. 102 cases).

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., of Massachusetts; Brooks Hays, of Arkansas; Chester E. Merrow, of New Hampshire; Dennis Joseph Roberts, of Rhode Island; and Colgate Whitehead Darden, Jr., of Virginia, all to be U. S. representatives to the 10th session of the General Assembly of the U. N.; and Robert Lee Brokenburr, of Indiana; Laird Bell, of Illinois; Jacob Blaustein, of Maryland; James J. Wadsworth, of New York; and Mrs. Oswald B. Lord, of New York, all to be alternate representatives;

The nomination of Francis O. Wilcox to be Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs;

Protocol with Kingdom of Netherlands supplementing convention relating to taxes on income and certain other taxes with respect to the Netherlands Antilles (Exec. I, 84th Cong., 1st sess.); Convention with Italian Republic relating to taxes on income (Exec. C, 84th Cong., 1st sess.); and Convention with the Italian Republic relating to taxes on estates and inheritances (Exec. D, 84th Cong., 1st sess.);

With amendments S. 2569, to provide certain basic authority for the Department of State; without amendment S. Res. 71, favoring a reduction of armaments with a view to improving world living standards; S. Res. 139, paying tribute to Sir Winston Churchill for his contributions in behalf of freedom and world peace; and an original joint resolution (S. J. Res. 97) to increase the authorization of amounts which may be appropriated to meet annual contributions of the U. S. to the Food and Agriculture Organization and the International Labor Organization.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings with regard to the interest of Secretary of the Air Force Harold Talbott in the Paul B. Mulligan Co., of New York, hearing testimony today from Secretary Talbott and Mr. Mulligan. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—S. 1455, to amend the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard; S. 2060, to incorporate in the Organic Act of the National Bureau of Standards the authority to use the working capital fund; S. 2286, to provide for the use of private shipping in transporting automobiles of Department of Defense personnel; and S. J. Res 91, to authorize sale of the steamship *LaGuardia;* and

With amendment—S. J. Res. 92, authorizing sale of the steamship *Monterey;* and S. 898, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act with respect to the authority of the ICC to regulate the use by motor carriers of motor vehicles not owned by them.

The committee also—(1) Adopted a subcommittee report regarding Washington, D. C., airport facilities, (2) appointed subcommittee (Senators Magnuson and Payne) to make a study of maritime training pursuant to S. Res. 35, (3) appointed a subcommittee headed by

Senator Daniel to represent the committee at the Atoms for Peace Conference in Geneva, and (4) authorized the chairman to submit to the Senate a résumé of committee activity for this session.

BOXCAR SHORTAGE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Special subcommittee began hearings on current shortage of boxcars, hearing testimony from Senators Murray, Humphrey, Mansfield, and Young; Roland Ballou, Assistant Department Administrator for Operations, CCC, Agriculture Department; and Mrs. Irene Edwards, representing Senator Langer. Hearings continue tomorrow.

OIL PIPELINE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee continued its hearings on a matter relating to a proposed pipeline running from Montana into Wyoming, having as its witness today Wiley L. Moore, of the Standard Pipe Line Co. of Atlanta; and Dean Hodges, H. S. M. Burns, and W. A. Alexander, all representing the Shell Oil Co.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on the Dixon-Yates power contract, hearing further testimony from Chairman J. Sinclair Armstrong, and Robert McDowell, Director of Division of Corporate Regulation, both of the SEC. Hearings continue Friday, July 29.

NOMINATION—LABOR DEPARTMENT

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor concluded its hearings on the nomination of Newell Brown, of New Hampshire, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Labor Department, hearing further testimony from Nelson Cruikshank, director of social insurance activities, AFL, who was accompanied by Andrew J. Biemiller and Walter Mason, members of the national legislative committee, AFL. The nominee testified in his own behalf.

In an evening session on Tuesday, July 26, testimony was heard from John Edelman, accompanied by Michael Botelho, and Thomas Pitarys, all of the Textile Workers Union of America, CIO.

TVA

Committee on Public Works: Subcommittee on Flood Control—Rivers and Harbors concluded its hearings on S. 2373, to amend the TVA Act of 1933 with regard to issuance and sale of bonds, hearing testimony favoring the bill from Senator Hill; G. O. Wessenhauer, manager of the power program, TVA; and Charles Sain, representing the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following resolutions without amendment: S. Res. 133, increasing by $15,000 funds for study by Committee on Foreign Relations of technical assistance and related programs; S. Res. 136, increasing by $15,000 limit of expenditures by Committee on Appropriations; S. Res. 137, increasing by $20,000 limit of expenditures by Committee on the Judiciary; S. Con. Res. 49, authorizing printing of 3,000 copies of certain matters in connection with acceptance of statue of the late Chief Justice Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana; H. Con. Res. 161, providing for printing of song, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, as a House document; S. Con. Res. 36, requiring conference reports to be accompanied by statements signed by a majority of the managers of each House; and S. Con. Res. 51, authorizing printing of 1,000 additional copies of hearings by Committee on Banking and Currency on Stock Market Study; and with amendments S. J. Res. 93, authorizing acceptance of a gift from the Ericsson Memorial Committee.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 18 public bills, H. R. 7629–7646; 10 private bills, H. R. 7647–7656; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 318–323, were introduced. **Pages 11719–11720, 11729–11730**

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 3990, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to investigate and report to Congress on projects for the conservation, development, and utilization of the water resources of Alaska (H. Rept. 1447);

H. R. 5428, to provide that chapter 71 of the Internal Revenue Code relative to transferees and fiduciaries shall apply with respect to any tax imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1939, amended (H. Rept. 1448);

Conference report on H. R. 3822, to amend title V of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended (H. Rept. 1449);

Conference report on H. R. 2851, to authorize donation of meal and flour for relief (H. Rept. 1450);

H. R. 7628, a private bill (H. Rept. 1451);

S. 2277, authorizing conveyance of certain land to Sioux Falls, S. Dak., for an amount equal to the cost to

the United States of acquiring such lands from the city (H. Rept. 1452);

H. R. 6182, to make temporary provision for making payments in lieu of taxes (H. Rept. 1453);

H. R. 7156, authorizing conveyance of certain United States land to the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Fla. (H. Rept. 1454);

H. R. 7227, to authorize the disposal of surplus property for civil-defense purposes and to provide that certain Federal surplus property be disposed of to State and local civil-defense organizations which are established by or pursuant to State law, amended (H. Rept. 1455);

Third intermediate report of Committee on Government Operations entitled "Proposed Disestablishment of San Pedro Naval Supply Depot Report" (H. Rept. 1456);

Fifth intermediate report of Committee on Government Operations entitled "Property Inventory Report of the United States Government Realty and Personalty Located in the Continental United States, the Territories, and Overseas as of June 30, 1955" (H. Rept. 1457);

Sixth intermediate report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Practices and Procedures of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Deportation Proceedings" (H. Rept. 1458);

H. R. 7092, providing for improvement of the Mississippi River at and in the vicinity of St. Louis, Mo., for flood control, amended (H. Rept. 1459);

H. R. 6857, authorizing the Administrator of the General Services Administration to convey certain land to the city of Milwaukee, Wis. (H. Rept. 1460);

H. R. 7195, providing for the reconveyance of lands in certain reservoir projects in Texas to former owners of such lands, amended (H. Rept. 1461);

H. R. 7367, 1956 rice acreage allotments, amended (H. Rept. 1462);

S. 1757, to amend Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, relative to inspection of agricultural commodities and penalties, amended (H. Rept. 1463);

H. R. 585, authorizing the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of the Lower Lake Rancheria, amended (H. Rept. 1464);

H. R. 7284, providing for the conveyance to North Dakota of the land where Chief Sitting Bull was originally buried, amended (H. Rept. 1465);

H. Res. 318, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 5649, to amend section 2254 of title 28 of U. S. Code in reference to applications for writs of habeas corpus by persons in custody pursuant to the judgment of a State court (H. Rept. 1466);

H. Res. 319, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 2552, to authorize the modification of the existing project for the Great Lakes connecting channels above Lake Erie (H. Rept. 1467);

H. Res. 316, to authorize the Committee on Education and Labor to conduct studies and investigations in the United States, its Territories and possessions, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (H. Rept. 1468);

H. Res. 320, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 7470, to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended (H. Rept. 1469);

H. Res. 321, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 6309, to authorize construction of the Mississippi River-gulf outlet (H. Rept. 1470);

Fourth intermediate report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Navy Procurement of Beverage Base for Military Sea Transportation Service Report" (H. Rept. 1471);

Seventh intermediate report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Operations of the Alaska Road Commission" (H. Rept. 1472);

H. R. 7618, adjusting civil-service retirement annuities (H. Rept. 1473);

H. R. 7619, Federal Executive Pay Act of 1955 (H. Rept. 1474);

Conference report on H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended (H. Rept. 1475);

H. R. 6625, to provide for the transfer of title to certain land and improvements thereon to the Pueblo of San Lorenzo in New Mexico (H. Rept. 1476);

H. J. Res. 353, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to execute a certain contract with the Toston Irrigation District, Montana (H. Rept. 1477);

H. R. 6994, providing for entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the United States classified as or known to be valuable for coal (H. Rept. 1478);

H. R. 7248, authorizing certain land exchanges in the State of Utah (H. Rept. 1479);

H. R. 6824, authorizing the amendment of the restrictive covenant on land patent No. 10,410, situated in the county of Hawaii, T. H. (H. Rept. 1480);

H. R. 6461, amending section 73 (i) of the Hawaiian Organic Act (H. Rept. 1481);

H. R. 5169, to repeal a particular contractual requirement with respect to Arch Hurley Conservancy District, N. Mex. (H. Rept. 1482);

H. R. 5566, terminating the existence of the Indian Claims Commission, amended (H. Rept. 1483);

H. R. 6463, ratifying and confirming section 4539, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1945, section 1 (b), act 12, Session Laws of Hawaii 1951, and the sales of public lands consummated pursuant to the terms of said statutes (H. Rept. 1484);

H. R. 6807, authorizing the amendment of certain patents of Government lands containing restrictions as to use of such lands in the Territory of Hawaii (H. Rept. 1485);

H. R. 6945, to permit per capita payments to the individual members of the Shoshone Tribe and the Arapaho Tribe of the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming to be made quarterly (H. Rept. 1486);

H. R. 4569, renewal and adjustment of deep-water mail contracts (H. Rept. 1487);

H. R. 3653, transfer of amorphous graphite from dutiable list to free list, amended (H. Rept. 1488);

H. R. 4376, to exempt from duty the importation of certain handwoven fabrics when used in the making of religious vestments, amended (H. Rept. 1489);

H. R. 4581, relative to excise tax on cutting oils (H. Rept. 1490);

H. R. 5249, refund of tax on distilled spirits and wines rendered unmarketable as result of hurricanes of 1954 (H. Rept. 1491);

H. R. 6122, remitting the duty on certain bells to be imported for addition to the carillons of The Citadel, Charleston, S. C. (H. Rept. 1492);

H. R. 6595, to amend certain provisions of law relating to the estate tax, amended (H. Rept. 1493);

H. R. 7012, amendment of section 209 (a) of the Technical Changes Act of 1953 relative to taxes on life insurance (H. Rept. 1494);

H. R. 7054, credit against estate tax for tax on certain prior transfers, amended (H. Rept. 1495);

H. R. 7095, exemption from admissions tax for certain athletic events held for the benefit of United States Olympic Association, amended (H. Rept. 1496);

H. R. 7364, relating to the application of the documentary stamp tax to transfers of certain installment obligations, amended (H. Rept. 1497);

S. 1849, conversion of indefinite appointment to career-conditional or career appointment (H. Rept. 1498);

S. 2098, extension service appropriation for low-income farmers' program, amended (H. Rept. 1499);

S. 2403, temporary employment in the postal service of certain employees (H. Rept. 1500);

Conference report on H. R. 7224, the mutual security appropriation bill for 1956 (H. Rept. 1501);

H. R. 1603, terminating the prohibition against employment of Mongolian labor in the construction of reclamation projects (H. Rept. 1502); and

H. R. 6927, a private bill (H. Rept. 1503).

Pages 11727–11729

Taxes: Considered and passed the following bills from the Committee on Ways and Means:

Residence sales: H. R. 257, relating to income tax of members of the Armed Forces selling their residences;

Personal holding companies: H. R. 2553, amendment of section 223 of the Revenue Act of 1950 relative to personal holding company incomes (with a committee amendment);

Withholding taxes: H. R. 4394, amendment of section 3401 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, to stop withholding of U. S. income tax on remuneration paid for services performed in a possession of the United States by a U. S. citizen if the employer is required by the possession to withhold income tax on the remuneration;

Narcotics: H. R. 7018, relating to enforcement of narcotic laws;

Stock options: H. R. 7064, amendment of section 421 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 relative to stock options (with a committee amendment);

Intercorporate dividend credits: H. R. 7282, amendment of section 117 (c) (1) (A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 relative to computation of credits for intercorporate dividends received (with a committee amendment);

Patent infringement suits: H. R. 7300, tax treatment of income received from patent infringement suits (with a committee amendment);

Credit or refund claims: H. R. 2619, amendment of section 345 of the Revenue Act of 1951 regarding credit or refund claims;

Aromatic cachous: H. R. 4668, exempts aromatic cachous from 10-percent excise tax (with a committee amendment); and

Motorcycles: H. R. 5647, repealing the manufacturers' excise tax on motorcycles. **Pages 11681–11685**

Subversive Activities Control Board: Passed without amendment S. 2171, to amend the Subversive Activities Control Act to provide that upon expiration of term of office, Board member shall continue to serve until successor qualifies, and thus cleared the bill for the White House. **Page 11686**

Subversive Activities Control Board: S. 2375, to provide 5-year terms of office for members of the Subversive Activities Control Board with one of such terms expiring in each calendar year, was cleared for Presidential action by House passage without amendment. **Page 11686**

Rubber Facilities: H. R. 7301, to permit the disposal of Plancor No. 980 at Institute, W. Va., was cleared for the President by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. **Page 11686**

Supplemental Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Cannon and Taber; and—

on chapter I, Messrs. Whitten, Marshall, and Andersen;

on chapter II, Messrs. Preston, Thomas, and Bow;

on chapter III, Messrs. Mahon, Sheppard, Sikes, Wigglesworth, Scrivner, and Ford;

on chapter IV, Messrs. Passman, Gary, and Wigglesworth;

on chapter V, Messrs. Andrews, Mahon, and Fenton;

on chapter VI, Messrs. Thomas, Yates, and Phillips;

on chapter VII, Messrs. Kirwan, Norrell, and Jensen;

on chapter VIII, Messrs. Fogarty, Fernandez, and Hand;

on chapter IX, Messrs. Rabaut, Kirwan, and Davis of Wisconsin;

on chapter X, Messrs. Rooney, Preston, and Coudert;

on chapter XI, Messrs. Gary, Passman, and Canfield; and

on chapters XII, XIII, XIV, and XV, Messrs. Rabaut, Norrell, and Horan. Page 11686

Private Bill: Passed without amendment H. R. 7628, a private bill. Page 11686

Government Security Commission: Adopted the conference report on H. J. Res. 157, establishing a Commission on Government Security, and sent the bill to the Senate. Pages 11687–11688

Highway Construction Program: By a rollcall vote of 123 yeas to 292 nays the House rejected H. R. 7474, the Government-State highway construction bill. A recommittal motion designed to incorporate the provisions of the Dondero substitute into the bill was previously rejected by a record vote of 193 yeas to 221 nays.

Prior to its defeat the bill was amended to—

Delete the provision dealing with reimbursement of cost of relocating utility facilities; and

Require the Secretary of Commerce to submit his first annual progress report not later than February 1, 1956.

Rejected amendments that sought to—

Reduce by 50 percent the increased funds for highway construction;

Delete provisions requiring payment of prevailing wage rates; and

Bar funds to States where segregation is practiced.

The Dondero substitute amendment was rejected by a teller vote of 178 yeas to 184 nays. Pages 11688–11718

Coast and Geodetic Survey: Passed without amendment S. 847, to authorize the construction of two surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey, Department of Commerce, and thus cleared the bill for Presidential action. Page 11719

Alaska Railroad Leases: H. R. 3338, to extend Alaska Railroad leases, was cleared for the President by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. Page 11720

Bill Referred: S. 56, authorizing the construction of certain public works on the Mississippi River for protection of St. Louis, Mo., was referred to the Committee on Public Works. Page 11727

Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:48 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COMMODITIES—COLLEGES—RICE

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered the following bills reported to the House, each amended—

S. 1757, providing penalties for violation of regulations relating to inspection and certification of products in interstate commerce under the Agricultural Marketing Act;

S. 2098, to authorize appropriations to be used for agricultural extension work between the agricultural colleges in the several States for special circumstances affecting the areas; and

H. R. 7367, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act to provide that the 1956 national acreage allotment on rice shall be established which is less than 85 percent of the final allotment established for the immediately preceding year.

WHITE HOUSE APPOINTMENT

Committee on the Armed Services: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 7628, to authorize the appointment in a civilian position in the White House Office of Maj. Gen. John Stewart Bragdon.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

Committee on Banking and Currency: Began hearings on H. R. 7541, to increase the borrowing power of the Commodity Credit Corporation. Received testimony from True D. Morse, President of the Commodity Credit Corporation; and Representative Whitten, of Mississippi. Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL PROPERTY AND MATERIAL

Committee on Government Operations: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 6182, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act with respect to taxes on certain real property transferred by the RFC;

H. R. 6857, to authorize the General Services Administrator to convey certain land to the city of Milwaukee, Wis.;

H. R. 7156, to provide for the conveyance of certain land of the United States to the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Fla.;

H. R. 7227, to make civil-defense organizations eligible to receive property declared surplus by Federal agencies; and

S. 2277, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey certain land to the city of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., for park and recreational purposes.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STUDIES

Committee on Government Operations: Approved the following reports of studies and investigations made by its subcommittees—

Subcommittee on Military Operations, entitled "Proposed Disestablishment of San Pedro Naval Supply Depot," and "Navy Procurement of Beverage Base for Military Sea Transport Service";

Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization, entitled "Property Inventory Report, Real and Personal, of the U. S. Government";

Subcommittee on Public Works and Resources, entitled "Alaska Road Commission"; and

Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs, entitled "Practices and Procedures of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Deportation Proceedings."

ADMINISTRATIVE RESOLUTIONS

Committee on House Administration: Ordered the following measures reported to the House—

H. Res. 299, to provide $35,000 additional for further expenses of the Select Committee on Small Business;

H. Res. 302, to provide $5,000 for necessary expenses of the Committee on Ways and Means;

H. Res. 305, to provide $75,000 for jurisdictional investigation and studies by the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service;

S. Con. Res. 20, authorizing the printing of 300,000 copies of S. Doc. 13, entitled "Our Capitol"; and

S. J. Res. 73, to establish a commission to formulate plans for a memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

HELLS CANYON DAM

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The Aspinall subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 4719, amended, to authorize construction and maintenance of the Hells Canyon Dam between Idaho and Oregon.

WOC EMPLOYEES

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems received testimony today from Leonard E. Pasek, of Kimberly Clark Corp., relative to its study of certain aspects of employment of persons "without compensation" in Government agencies. Recessed until Friday morning.

CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2, in executive session, ordered reported favorably to the full committee 6 private claim bills of the House, and reported adversely on 1 other.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 concluded public hearings on pending bills relating to the question of civil rights. Witnesses heard today were Representative Diggs, of Michigan, author of H. R. 3578, 3579, 3580, 3581, 3582, 3583, and 3585; Roy Wilkins, executive secretary, NAACP, New York City; Will Maslow, general counsel, American Jewish Congress, New York City; Al Hartnett, secretary-treasurer, International Union of Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers, CIO; David A. Rose, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, Boston, Mass.; Herman Edelsberg, Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, Washington; Paul Siften, national legislative representative, UAW-CIO, Washington, D. C.; William H. Oliver, codirector, fair practices and antidiscrimination department, UAW-CIO; John J. Gunther, legislative representative, Americans for Democratic Action, Washington, D. C.; Aubrey E. Robinson, director, American Council on Human Rights, Washington, D. C.; and W. Astor Kirk, Washington, D. C.

Also received statements for the record from the American Jewish Committee; Mike Masaoka, Japanese-American Citizens League, Washington, D. C.; Kenneth Birkhead, executive director, American Veterans Committee, Washington, D. C.; and the National Community Relations Advisory Council.

MINERAL CLAIMS—EMPLOYEES' CLAIMS—FARM-CITY WEEK

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 ordered the following bills reported to the full committee—

H. R. 7418, to amend the Contract Settlement Act of 1944 so as to authorize the payment of fair compensation to persons contracting to deliver certain strategic or critical minerals or metals in cases of failure to recover reasonable costs;

H. R. 5862, to confer jurisdiction upon U. S. district courts to adjudicate certain claims of Federal employees for the recovery of fees, salaries, or compensation; and

H. J. Res. 317, designating the last week in October of each year as National Farm-City Week. In a public hearing on this measure, the subcommittee received testimony from the following—Representatives Bass of Tennessee, Watts, Cooley (author of the measure), Hope, Harrison of Nebraska, and McIntire. Also received testimony from Roger Fleming, secretary-treasurer, American Farm Bureau Federation; and Roy Battles, representing the National Grange.

STEAMSHIP SALES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. J. Res. 380, amended, authorizing the Secretary of Commerce to sell the steamship *Monterey;* and

H. J. Res. 389, amended, authorizing the Secretary of Commerce to sell the steamship *LaGuardia.*

SALARIES—RETIREMENT—GSA—WATER ROUTES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered the following bills reported favorably to the House—

S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointment;

S. 2403, to authorize the dual employment of custodial employees in post-office buildings operated by the General Services Administration;

H. R. 3255, to amend the Classification Act of 1949 (to prevent loss of salary after an employee has held a position for more than 2 years);

H. R. 4569, to provide for renewal of and adjustment of compensation under contracts for carrying mail on water routes;

H. R. 7619, to adjust the rates of compensation of the heads of the executive departments and of certain other officials of the Federal Government; and

H. R. 7618, to amend section 8 of the Civil Service Retirement Act.

INVESTIGATIONS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Announced appointment of investigative subcommittees under authority of H. Res. 304—

Subcommittee on Post Office and Postal Operations (Representative Dowdy, chairman);

Subcommittee on Manpower Utilization and Departmental Personnel Management (Representative Davis of Georgia, chairman); and

Subcommittee on Civil Service Commission and Personnel Programs (Representative Morrison, chairman).

GREAT LAKES—HABEAS CORPUS—GULF OUTLET—DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of general debate on each of the following bills—

H. R. 2552, authorizing the modification of the existing project for the Great Lakes connecting channels above Lake Erie;

H. R. 5649, to amend the U. S. Code, reference to applications for writs of habeas corpus by persons in custody pursuant to the judgment of a State court;

H. R. 6309, to authorize construction of the Mississippi River-Gulf outlet; and

H. R. 7470, to extend the Defense Production Act.

Testimony on behalf of these proposals was received, as follows—On H. R. 2552, Representatives Blatnik and Dondero; on H. R. 5649, Representatives Willis and Reed of Illinois; on H. R. 6309, Representatives Blatnik and Hébert; and on H. R. 7470, Representatives Spence, Wolcott, and Multer.

EDUCATION-LABOR STUDY

Committee on Rules: Approved for reporting to the House H. Res. 316, to authorize the Committee on Education and Labor to conduct studies and investigations in the United States, its Territories and possessions, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

SMALL BUSINESS—VACCINE—SUGAR

Committee on Rules: Denied a request for a rule on S. 2127, extending the Small Business Administration. Heard Representatives Spence, Wolcott, and Multer on the subject.

Considered, but deferred action until the next meeting, a rule request for H. R. 7126, to provide grants to assist States to meet the cost of poliomyelitis vaccination programs. Received testimony from Representatives Priest, Heselton, and Dies.

Also deferred action on a rule for H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948. Speaking in connection with this proposal were Representatives Cooley, Hope, Boggs, Rogers of Florida, Willis, Hill, and Knutson.

"UPJEWELING"

Committee on Ways and Means: Began hearings on H. R. 7466 and 7467, relating to definition of substitutes for jewels in imported watch movements. Speaking in support of the proposed legislation were H. Chapman Rose, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; and Thorsten V. Kalijarvi, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Department of State. Opposition to enactment was expressed by Representative Lankford of Maryland. Hearings to be continued tomorrow.

FEDERAL REGULATORY AGENCIES

Select Committee on Small Business: The Evins subcommittee, which is studying organization procedures of Federal regulatory agencies, concluded its current hearings today with Federal Trade Commission officials and former FTC officials. Testimony was received today from Joseph E. Sheehy, Director of the Bureau of Litigation; and Harry A. Babcock, Director of the Bureau of Investigation.

Announced that hearings will be conducted tomorrow and Friday morning with officials of the Federal Power Commission.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC-POWERED VESSELS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Research and Development met again in executive session for the consideration of various bills authorizing construction of atomic-powered vessels. Witnesses heard today were Roger Jones, Assistant Director for Legislative Reference, Bureau of the Budget; Adm. H. G. Rickover, of Navy and AEC; and Dr. Kenneth Davis, Director of Reactor Development, AEC.

Subcommittee will meet again tomorrow.

U. S.-SOVIET AIR POWER

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Military Applications met in executive session to hear testimony as to comparative strength in air power of the U. S. and Soviet Union. Witnesses heard today were Secretary of Defense Wilson; Assistant Secretary of the Air Force Roger Lewis; Army Chief of Staff Nathan Twining; Gen. Herbert B. Loper, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense (Atomic Energy); and Donald A. Quarles, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT CONTRACTS

Joint Committee on Defense Production: Committee met in executive session to hear testimony from Comptroller General Joseph Campbell, and Howard I. Young, former Deputy Administrator of Defense Minerals Procurement Agency, GSA, with regard to contracts with Mid-Continent Mining Corp., W. M. & W. Mining Co.,

Inc., and McArthur Mining Co., Inc., all being contracts issued under authority of the Defense Production Act.

Committee recessed subject to call.

APPROPRIATIONS—MUTUAL SECURITY

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 7224, fiscal 1956 appropriations for mutual security.

INTERNATIONAL CLAIMS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949.

MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938. As agreed, the bill would provide:

(1) An increase in the national minimum wage from 75 cents to $1, effective March 1, 1956.

(2) The Secretary of Labor shall make an annual report to the Congress containing an evaluation and appraisal by the Secretary of the prevailing minimum wage, together with his recommendations.

(3) Industry committee procedures are strengthened and accelerated.

(4) That minimum wages in Puerto Rico established by industry committees shall be reviewed by such committees at least once each fiscal year.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared for President mutual security appropriations bill.

Senate passed 61 measures on call of calendar and numerous sundry bills on motion.

Bill amending the Natural Gas Act passed by House.

Senate committees approved numerous bills and nominations.

Bills on housing, Sugar Act, and State Department organization cleared for House debate by Rules Committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: 13 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2662–S. 2674; S. Con. Res. 55; and S. Res. 141 and 142. **Pages 11753, 11759**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 2402, to increase the annuity benefits of retired Federal employees, with amendment (S. Rept. 1176)—reported during adjournment July 27 under prior authorization;

S. Res. 132, to provide additional funds for Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (S. Rept. 1177);

S. Res. 133, increasing funds for study by Committee on Foreign Relations of technical assistance and related programs (S. Rept. 1178);

S. Res. 137, increasing limit of expenditures by Committee on the Judiciary (S. Rept. 1179);

S. Con. Res. 36, requiring conference reports to be accompanied by statements signed by a majority of the managers of each House (S. Rept. 1180);

H. R. 7117, making appropriations for legislative branch for fiscal year 1956, with amendments (S. Rept. 1181);

S. 2591, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 regarding utilization and disposal of excess and surplus property under control of executive agencies, with amendments (S. Rept. 1182);

S. 2364, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 regarding transfer of records to Archives (S. Rept. 1183);

S. Res. 140, relative to establishment of uniform fees and charges by Government agencies for work performed by them, with amendment (S. Rept. 1184);

H. R. 7034, to provide permanent authority for the relief of certain disbursing officers (S. Rept. 1185);

H. R. 7035, to amend the act authorizing relief of accountable officers of the Government (S. Rept. 1186);

H. J. Res. 276, conveyance of certain land to Kerr County and to State of Texas (S. Rept. 1187);

H. R. 482, conveyance of portion of former O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo., to State of Missouri (S. Rept. 1188);

H. J. Res. 330, to provide for acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries, with amendments (S. Rept. 1189);

S. 1749, adopting and authorizing the improvement of Rockland Harbor, Maine, with amendments (S. Rept. 1190);

S. 2374, authorizing Secretary of Army to enter into contracts to furnish water for municipal water supplies from flood control and river and harbor projects, with amendments (S. Rept. 1191);

H. R. 6066, to modify San Joaquin flood-control project (S. Rept. 1192);

H. R. 6417, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of bridge across Mississippi River, Miss. and Ark. (S. Rept. 1193);

H. R. 2889, conveyance of certain land in Necedah, Wis., to the village of Necedah (S. Rept. 1194);

H. R. 1599, to reconvey certain lands at the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Ga. and Fla. (S. Rept. 1195);

H. R. 3235, to reconvey certain lands at the Demopolis lock and dam, Alabama (S. Rept. 1196);

Report on 20 cooperative agreements entered into by AEC under Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (S. Rept. 1197);

S. 2671, to authorize the AEC to pay the salary of a Commissioner during the recess of the Senate (S. Rept. 1198);

S. 2446, to permit sale of CCC stocks of cotton that are in excess supply for unrestricted use at current market prices, with amendment (S. Rept. 1199);

S. 2604, to increase the borrowing power of the CCC (S. Rept. 1200);

H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration, with amendment (S. Rept. 1201);

S. 125, for the relief of the State of Illinois, with amendment (S. Rept. 1202);

S. Res. 142, referring S. 641, private bill, to court of claims (S. Rept. 1203);

S. 1455, to amend the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard (S. Rept. 1204);

S. 792, 1415, 2088, 2154, 2166, 2130, H. R. 1423, 3275, S. 1255, private bills (S. Repts. 1205–1213, respectively);

S. 1512, to eliminate separate divisions and reduce the number of places of holding regular terms of the U. S. district court for the district of Nebraska, with amendment (S. Rept. 1214);

S. 2182, for the relief of the city of Elkins, W. Va., with amendment (S. Rept. 1215);

S. 2312, H. R. 1496, private bills (S. Repts. 1216–1217);

S. 2511, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, regarding national acreage allotment, with amendments (S. Rept. 1218);

S. 1853, relating to the exemption of producers and gatherers from regulation under the Natural Gas Act, with amendment, and with minority views and individual views (S. Rept. 1219);

H. R. 2112, to permit retirement of certain temporary officers of the naval service after completion of 20 years of active service (S. Rept. 1220);

H. R. 6600, to authorize travel and transportation allowances and transportation of dependents and of baggage and household effects to the homes of members of armed services (S. Rept. 1221);

S. 637, conveyance of Camps Livingston and Beauregard, and Eisler Field, La., to the State of Louisiana, with amendment (S. Rept. 1222);

S. 2624, to amend act providing for sale of Port Newark Army Base to city of Newark, N. J. (S. Rept. 1223);

H. R. 1459, conveyance of land in Orange County to village of Highland Falls, N. Y. (S. Rept. 1224);

S. 1959, conveyance of land in Harris County, Tex., to the State of Texas, with amendments (S. Rept. 1225);

H. R. 46, conveyance of certain property in Fort McClellan to city of Anniston, Ala., with amendments (S. Rept. 1226);

S. 1748, to authorize the appointment of Reserve midshipmen in the U. S. Navy, with amendments (S. Rept. 1227);

H. R. 2149, to increase the annual compensation of the academic dean of the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School (S. Rept. 1228);

H. R. 2559, to authorize male nurses and medical specialists to be appointed as Reserve officers (S. Rept. 1229);

H. R. 4672, to increase the annuities of certain retired civilian members of the teaching staffs of the U. S. Naval Academy and the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School (S. Rept. 1230);

H. R. 5614, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 regarding protests of grants of instruments of authorization without hearing (S. Rept. 1231);

S. 1395, celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Alexander Hamilton, with amendment (S. Rept. 1232);

S. Con. Res. 49, authorizing printing of 3,000 copies of certain matters in connection with acceptance of statue of the late Chief Justice Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana (no written report);

S. Con. Res. 51, authorizing printing of 1,000 additional copies of hearings by Committee on Banking and Currency on Stock Market Study (no written report);

H. Con. Res. 161, providing for printing of song, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, as a House document (no written report); and

S. Res. 136, increasing limit of expenditures by Committee on Appropriations (no written report).

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Railroad Retirement Increases: By unanimous vote of 91 yeas, Senate passed H. R. 4744, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1937 and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act with regard to annuities, after

adopting Potter amendment excepting from competitive civil service one administrative assistant for each Board member, and rejecting, by 24 yeas to 66 nays, amendment by Senator Smith (New Jersey) to delete sections 5 and 6 requiring all positions in Railroad Retirement Board to be under competitive civil service.

Pages 11772–11780, 11787–11790

Mutual Security Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for White House H. R. 7224, mutual security appropriations for fiscal 1956, concurring in House amendments to Senate amendments No. 21 (making available unexpended balances of funds appropriated under authority of Mutual Security Act of 1954), and No. 24 (respecting allocation to Defense Department of funds from any appropriation for military assistance). Pages 11780–11786

Calendar Call: On call of calendar, 61 measures, of which 42 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Tax: H. R. 291, to extend the retirement income-tax credit to members of the Armed Forces;

Tax: H. R. 542, relative to income tax withheld on noncash remuneration to retail commission salesmen;

Tax: H. R. 3437, to provide for a maximum manufacturers' excise tax on leases of certain automobile utility trailers;

Tax: H. R. 3712, relating to claims for floor stocks refunds;

Wage credits: H. R. 5936, to provide wage credits under title II of the Social Security Act of military service before April 1, 1956, and to permit application for lump-sum benefits under such title to be made within 2 years after interment or reinterment in the case of servicemen dying overseas before April 1, 1956;

Tax: H. R. 6886, to amend the act relating to assistance to States in collecting sales and use taxes on cigarettes;

Tax: H. R. 7148, income-tax exemption for certain dependents in the Republic of the Philippines;

School: H. R. 727, to direct conveyance of certain lands to the Pecwan Union School District (California);

Klamath River: H. R. 3587, granting consent of Congress to compact between Oregon and California relating to waters of the Klamath River; and

Private bills: 16 private bills, H. R. 1408, 939, 999, 1159, 1160, 1976, 2788, 3626, 3856, 3956, 4970, 5080, 5767, 6002, 6036, 6896.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Tax: H. R. 6887, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to income of a railroad corporation from discharge of indebtedness;

Tax: H. R. 7024, to remove the manufacturers' excise tax from sales of certain component parts and on certain radio and television apparatus; and

Private bill: H. R. 5546.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Grand Teton: S. 1917, authorizing construction within Grand Teton National Park of an alternate route to U. S. Highway 89;

Montana irrigation: S. J. Res. 82, authorizing execution of a certain contract with the Toston Irrigation District, Montana;

Reclamation: S. 1965, to repeal a particular contractual requirement with respect to the Arch Hurley Conservancy District in New Mexico; and

Private bills: 18 private bills, S. 433, 1125, 1226, 1299, 1348, 1357, 1594, 1676, 1682, 1706, 1732, 1882, 1888, 1972, 1973, 1983, 2036, 2575.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Irrigation: S. 1818, to limit amount of land on Federal irrigation projects which may be exchanged by veteran settlers on other irrigation projects;

State Department: S. 2569, to provide certain basic authority for the Department of State; and

Private bills: Eight private bills, S. 366, 421, 1105, 1787, 1905, 2053, 1118, 1933.

Resolutions adopted without amendment:

Armaments: S. Res. 71, favoring a reduction of armaments with a view to improving world living standards;

Churchill: S. Res. 139, paying tribute to Sir Winston Churchill for his contributions in behalf of freedom and world peace. Pages 11800–11811

Contempt Citation: Senate adopted S. Res. 130, citing Harry Sacher for contempt of Senate. Pages 11811–11813

Montana Indians: Senate passed without amendment S. 2556, providing assistance for certain landless Indians in Montana. Page 11811

Federal Retirement: Senate passed S. 912, relating to a uniform retirement date for authorized retirements of Federal personnel, after adopting committee amendments as amended by motion of Senator Johnston (South Carolina) to delete section 2, having to do with legislative retirement. Pages 11813–11814, 11817–11818

Strategic Materials: Report of Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs entitled "Accessibility of Strategic and Critical Materials to the U. S. in Time of War and for Our Expanding Economy" was, pursuant to S. Res. 271, ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 83. Page 11796

Reclamation Projects: Senate passed, with amendments, H. R. 5881, to provide for Federal cooperation in non-Federal reclamation projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal reclamation projects (after first discharging Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs from its further consideration). H. R. 5881 was amended by substituting for its language the amended text of S. 2442, companion bill, which had first been amended by adoption of committee amendments and Morse amendments respecting excess land requirements and preference requirements as to electric power for sale.

S. 2442 was then indefinitely postponed.

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Private Bill: H. R. 1393, a private bill, was passed with committee amendment. Page 11829

Mineral Resources: H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of mineral resources of public lands withdrawn for power development, was passed with committee amendment. Pages 11829–11830

Bureau of Standards: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 2060, to incorporate in the Organic Act of the National Bureau of Standards the authority to use the working capital fund. Pages 11830–11831

Wyoming Indians: S. 2087, to permit per capita payments to members of Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes in Wyoming, was passed with committee amendment. Page 11831

Kaw Indians: Senate passed with committee amendment S. 2197, authorizing equal distribution to members of Kaw Tribe of certain moneys to the credit of the tribe in the U. S. Treasury. Page 11831

Private Bills: The following three private bills were passed without amendment and cleared for White House: H. R. 898, 910, and 4718. Pages 11831–11832

Domestic Minerals Program: Senate made its unfinished business H. R. 6373, to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals. Page 11832

D. C. School Employee Benefits: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 665, to revise section 3 of the D. C. Public School Food Services Act regarding employee benefits. This action clears the bill for the President. Pages 11832–11833

Treaties Reported: The following four treaties were reported (Ex. Rept. 12) after adjournment of Senate on July 27 pursuant to previous authority: Modification, by Government of Netherlands, of convention dated April 29, 1948, between U. S. and Netherlands for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to income and other taxes, with a view to extending operation of the convention to the Netherlands Antilles, dated June 24, 1952 (Ex. I, 83d Cong., 2d sess.); protocol signed June 15, 1955, supplementing convention between U. S. and Netherlands with respect to income and other taxes for purpose of facilitating extension to Netherlands Antilles (Ex. I, 84th Cong., 1st sess.); convention between U. S. and Italy for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to income taxes, signed at Washington March 30, 1955 (Ex. C, 84th Cong., 1st sess.); and convention between U. S. and Italy for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to estate and inheritance taxes, signed at Washington March 30, 1955 (Ex. D, 84th Cong., 1st sess.). Page 11751

Confirmations: Nomination of Francis O. Wilcox, of Iowa, to be an Assistant Secretary of State, was confirmed, along with 10 nominations as representatives and alternates to General Assembly of U. N., 1 district judge, and 175 postmasters. Pages 11843–11844

Nominations: 168 civilian nominations were received, including those of James Weldon Jones, of Texas, and William E. Dowling, of Michigan, to be members of the U. S. Tariff Commission, and 48 in the Foreign Service, and 89 postmasters. Pages 11841–11843

Adjournment: Adjourned at 9:23 p. m.

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills: With an amendment H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration (amendment would specify that present surpluses in banks for cooperatives shall not be distributed as dividends); without amendment S. 2604, to increase the borrowing power of the Commodity Credit Corporation; with amendments S. 2511, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, regarding national acreage allotment; and with an amendment S. 2446, to permit sale of CCC stocks of cotton that are in excess supply for unrestricted use at current market prices.

Prior to approval of these bills, testimony was heard, as follows: On S. 2604, with testimony from Under Secretary of Agriculture True D. Morse; and on S. 2511, with testimony from John L. Erickson, administrative assistant to Senator Fulbright, and J. Alton Satterfield, Grain Division of Commodity Stabilization Service.

Committee heard testimony from James A. McConnell, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, and F. Marion Rhodes, Director of Cotton Division, Commodity Stabilization Service, on S. 2196, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 relating to cotton acreage allotments.

APPROPRIATIONS—LEGISLATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments H. R. 7117, fiscal 1956 appropriations for legislative branch.

As approved, the bill would provide total funds of $92,924,027, an increase of $26,625,852 over the House-passed figure of $66,298,175.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—H. R. 2112, to permit retirement of certain temporary officers of the naval service after completion of 20 years of active service; H. R. 2559, to authorize male nurses and medical specialists to be appointed as Reserve officers; H. R. 2149, to increase the annual compensation of the academic dean of the U. S.

Naval Postgraduate School; H. R. 4672, to increase the annuities of certain retired civilian members of the teaching staffs of the U. S. Naval Academy and the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School; and H. R. 6600, to authorize travel and transportation allowances and transportation of dependents and of baggage and household effects to the homes of members of armed services; and

With amendments S. 1748, to authorize the appointment of Reserve midshipmen in the U. S. Navy.

Committee also approved 1,226 nominations in the Army and National Guard.

Committee considered, took no action, and will hold a further meeting on the nomination of Dudley C. Sharp, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force. Testimony on this nomination was heard from Senator Daniel. Committee also considered, but deferred action until next session, on H. R. 7289, to authorize the States to organize and maintain State defense forces.

Committee, in executive session, adopted subcommittee reports on and ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment S. 2624, to amend act providing for sale of Port Newark Army Base to city of Newark, N. J.; and H. R. 1459, conveyance of land in Orange County to village of Highland Falls, N. Y.; and with amendments S. 637, conveyance of Camps Livingston and Beauregard, and Esler Field, La., to the State of Louisiana; S. 1959, conveyance of land in Harris County, Tex., to the State of Texas; and H. R. 46, conveyance of certain property in Fort McClellan to city of Anniston, Ala. Committee also adopted subcommittee report on S. 108, a private bill, but voted to take no action on this bill.

Prior to approval of the above bills, testimony was heard as follows: On H. R. 7289, with testimony from Senator Daniel, Hugh M. Milton II, Assistant Secretary of Army for Manpower and Reserve Forces, Maj. Gen. Ellard A. Walsh, president, National Guard Association of U. S., and Col. Donald W. Peacock, State Guard Association of U. S.; on H. R. 2112, wtih testimony from Adm. J. L. Holloway, Jr., Chief of Naval Personnel, and Capt. David L. Martineau, Bureau of Personnel, Navy; on S. 1748, with testimony from Admiral Holloway; on H. R. 2559, with testimony from Gen. H. W. Glattly, Special Assistant to the Army Surgeon General; on H. R. 2149, with testimony from Capt. E. H. Schantz, Deputy Chief of Industrial Relations, Navy; on H. R. 4672, with testimony from Capt. C. E. Brooks, Secretary of the Academic Board, U. S. Naval Academy; and on H. R. 6600, with testimony from Lt. Col. M. C. Leigerwood, Office, Chief of Finance, Army.

SECURITIES

Committee on Banking and Currency: Securities Subcommittee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee with amendments S. 2054, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide for regulation of unlisted securities.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Government Operations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following bills:

Without amendment—H. J. Res. 276, authorizing the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation to convey certain land to Kerr County, Tex.; H. R. 482, conveyance of portion of former O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo., to State of Missouri; S. 2364, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 regarding transfer of records to Archives; H. R. 7035, to amend the act authorizing relief of accountable officers of the Government; and H. R. 7034, to provide permanent authority for the relief of certain disbursing officers.

Amended—S. Res. 140, relative to establishment of uniform fees and charges by Government agencies for work performed by them (amendment would reduce amount requested to $15,000); H. J. Res. 330, to provide for acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries; H. R. 2889, conveyance of certain land in Necedah, Wis., to the village of Necedah; and S. 2591, to amend Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 regarding utilization and disposal of excess and surplus property under control of executive agencies.

BOXCAR SHORTAGE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Special subcommittee continued its hearings on the current shortage of boxcars, with testimony from the following witnesses: E. L. Peterson, Minneapolis Traffic Association; C. J. Harriss, Corn Exchange of Buffalo; Freeman Bradford, Indianapolis Board of Trade, and representing Grain & Feed Dealers National Association; Michael Fox, Railway Employees Department, AFL; Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; Lester Dorr, National Industrial Traffic League; Owen Clarke, member, ICC, accompanied by Charles W. Taylor, Director, Bureau of Safety and Service, ICC; and Thomas L. Preston, general solicitor, and Arthur Gass, car service division, both of Association of American Railroads. Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

NEBRASKA COURT, ALEXANDER HAMILTON, NOMINATIONS, AND PRIVATE BILLS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following: S. 1512, to eliminate separate divisions and reduce the number of places of holding regular terms of the U. S. District Court for the District of Nebraska; with an amendment S. 1395, celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Alexander Hamilton; the nominations of Franklin P. R. Rittenhouse, of Nevada, to be U. S. attorney for the district of Nevada, Francis Van Dusen to be U. S. district judge for eastern district of Pennsylvania,

Mary Donlon to be judge of U. S. Customs Court, John W. McIlvaine and Herbert F. Sorg, both to be U. S. district judges for western district of Pennsylvania, and Joe Ewing Estes to be U. S. district judge for northern district of Texas; two private claims bills (S. 125 and S. 2182); an original resolution (S. Res. 142) referring S. 641, a private claim bill, to the Court of Claims; and eight private immigration bills (S. 792, 1255, 1415, 2088, 2154, 2166, 2312, and 2130).

Committee indefinitely postponed nine private immigration bills (S. 20, 21, 765, 945, 1000, 1186, 1314, 1762, and 2164).

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held hearings on the nominations of Francis Van Dusen to be U. S. district judge for the eastern district of Pennsylvania, and Mary M. Donlon to be judge of U. S. Customs Court.

OIL PIPELINE

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on a matter relating to a proposed pipeline running from Montana into Wyoming, hearing further testimony today from representatives of the Standard Pipe Line Co. of Atlanta, and the Shell Oil Co.

NOMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Subcommittee on Labor, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the full committee the nomination of Newell Brown, of New Hampshire, to be Administrator of Wage and Hour Division, Labor Department.

The full committee will consider this matter tomorrow.

COMMITTEE

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: On Wednesday, July 27, committee ordered favorably reported with an amendment S. 2402, to increase the annuity benefits of retired Federal employees; S. 2628, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies; and 173 postmaster nominations.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Government Employees Security Program continued its hearings, with testimony from Philip Young, Civil Service Commission Chairman, and James Campbell, American Federation of Government Employees.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—H. R. 1599, to reconvey certain lands at the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Ga. and Fla.; H. R. 3235, to reconvey certain lands at the Demopolis lock and dam, Alabama; H. R. 6066, to modify San Joaquin flood-control project; and H. R. 6417, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of bridge across Mississippi River, Miss. and Ark.;

With amendments—S. 1749, adopting and authorizing the improvement of Rockland Harbor, Maine; and S. 2374, authorizing Secretary of Army to enter into contracts to furnish water for municipal water supplies from flood control and river and harbor projects; and

The following lease-purchase projects: Post offices at Grundy, Va., Refugio, Tex., West Memphis, Ark., Cashmere, Wash., Madison, Tenn., Jefferson, Ohio, Camden, N. Y., Ontonagon, Mich., Newkirk, Okla., Fort Mill, S. C., New Richmond, Wis., Toronto, Ohio, Newtown, Pa., Skaneateles, N. Y., and Maplewood, N. J.; main post-office building at Houston, Tex.; post office and courthouse at Burlington, Vt., Omaha, Nebr., Brunswick, Ga., and Biloxi, Miss.; post office and Federal building at Burlington, Iowa, and New Orleans, La.; U. N. building at New York, N. Y.; Federal office building at Richmond, Va.; courthouse and Federal building at Minneapolis, Minn.; post office and office building at Carthage, Tenn., and Durham, N. H.; and a communicable disease research building at Atlanta, Ga.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 44 public bills, H. R. 7657–7700; 16 private bills, H. R. 7701–7716; and 9 resolutions, H. J. Res. 413 and 414; H. Con. Res. 195, and H. Res. 324–329, were introduced. **Pages 11932, 11934, 11941–11943**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 7535, Federal assistance to States for school construction (H. Rept. 1504);

Thirty-eight private bills, H. R. 4588, 4769, S. 85, 86, 141, 223, 235, 240, 293, 393, 518, 843, 884, 1266, 1296, 1496, 1541, 1581, 1681, 1974, 2269, 2270, 204, H. Res. 309, H. R. 1513, 1952, 2465, 2472, 2522, 2712, 3032, 3043, 3650, 4466, 4873, 5544, 6279, and 6283 (H. Repts. 1505–1542);

H. J. Res. 110, pensions for military service in Moro Province, amended (H. Rept. 1543);

H. R. 1761, relative to relief from liability to repay subsistence allowance received under Servicemen's Re-

adjustment Act of 1944 due to an erroneous interpretation of law (H. Rept. 1544);

Six private bills, H. R. 2043, 4773, 5626, 6190, 7164, and H. J. Res. 389 (H. Repts. 1545–1550, respectively);

H. J. Res. 316, designating the last week in October of each year as National Farm-City Week, amended (H. Rept. 1551);

H. R. 7684, to authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to pay the salary of a Commissioner during the recess of the Senate (H. Rept. 1552);

S. 463, relative to issuance of Benjamin Franklin Medal (H. Rept. 1553);

H. R. 7540, providing for the sale of a Government-owned housing project to the city of Hooks, Tex. (H. Rept. 1554);

H. R. 5205, extending protection against bodily attack to uniformed members of the Armed Forces (H. Rept. 1555);

S. 2039, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to lease any unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Ariz., amended (H. Rept. 1556);

H. R. 3255, protection for Government officers and employees from loss of basic compensation resulting from reclassification of their positions, amended (H. Rept. 1557);

H. R. 7588, a private bill (H. Rept. 1558);

H. R. 7541, to increase the borrowing power of Commodity Credit Corporation (H. Rept. 1559);

Conference report on S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education (H. Rept. 1560);

Conference report on S. 2168, the Fair Labor Standards Act amendments of 1955 (H. Rept. 1561);

Conference report on S. 34, to authorize the leasing of restricted Indian lands for public, religious, educational, recreational, residential, business, and other purposes. requiring the grant of long-term leases (H. Rept. 1562);

H. Res. 324, providing for the consideration of and 1 hour of debate on S. 1272, a private bill (H. Rept. 1563);

H. Res. 325, providing for the consideration of and 1 hour of debate on S. 1271, a private bill (H. Rept. 1564);

H. Res. 326, providing for the consideration of, 2 hours of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955 (H. Rept. 1565);

H. Res. 327, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, and the consideration of a substitute amendment for, S. 2237, to strengthen and improve the organization of the Department of State (H. Rept. 1566);

H. Res. 328, providing for the consideration of, 1 hour of debate on, and the consideration of a substitute amendment for, H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948, as amended (H. Rept. 1567); and

Conference report on H. R. 4778, bonding of civilian and military personnel of the Federal Government (H. Rept. 1568). Pages 11940–11941

Education and Labor: Adopted H. Res. 316, to authorize the Committee on Education and Labor to conduct studies and investigations in the United States, its Territories and possessions, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Page 11844

Mutual Security Appropriations: By a voice vote the House adopted the conference report on H. R. 7224, making appropriations for mutual security for fiscal year 1956, and sent the bill to the Senate. Five amendments were reported in disagreement and on which the House voted to recede and concur in amendments Nos. 6, 7, and 8; and to recede and concur with further amendments to Senate amendments Nos. 21 and 24. Pages 11853–11854

Natural Gas Act Amendments: By a record vote of 209 yeas and 203 nays, the House passed H. R. 6645, to amend the Natural Gas Act, as amended. A recommittal motion had been rejected previously by a rollcall vote of 203 yeas to 210 nays.

The bill would amend the Natural Gas Act to exempt producers of natural gas from public utility regulation as natural-gas companies, with provisions to protect consumers from excessive rate increases.

Adopted an amendment that deleted language making imported or exported gas subject to Federal regulation.

Also adopted an amendment protecting natural-gas companies with contracts containing escalator clauses.

H. Res. 317, the rule under which the bill was considered, was adopted previously by a record vote of 272 yeas to 135 nays. Pages 11844–11930

Subpena: Adopted H. Res. 329, relating to compliance by the Clerk of the House to a subpena duces tecum issued by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Page 11934

Bills Referred: Two Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 11939

Further Program: Pursuant to a unanimous-consent request the calling of the Private and Consent Calendars was made in order on Saturday next, as well as the consideration of bills under suspension of the rules. Page 11932

Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:58 p. m.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY REAL ESTATE

Committee on Armed Services: The Rivers subcommittee approved miscellaneous Navy and Air Force disposal projects today. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

LIFE INSURANCE

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert subcommittee resumed hearings in connection with its study

of the sale of commercial life insurance on Government reservations. Received testimony today from Representative Teague of California; Henry A. Du Flom, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Personnel), along with the following representatives of the Defense Department—Col. G. S. Spidel, Jr., Manpower and Personnel, Office of the Secretary of Defense; L. R. Walter, Army; and Logan E. Hysmith, Air Force.

Representing State insurance commissioners were John J. Wicker, Jr., special counsel, and George A. Bowles, commissioner, of the Virginia State Insurance Commission; Wade O. Martin, Jr., secretary of the Louisiana State Insurance Commission; Joseph A. Navarre, Michigan State Insurance Commissioner; and C. Lawrence Liggett, president, National Association of Insurance Commissioners. Witnesses representing life insurance companies were Dudley Dowell, executive vice president of the New York Life Insurance Co.; Henry E. Glenn, associate general counsel of the Life Insurance Association of America; and Walter Kem, senior vice president and actuary, Equitable Life Association Society of the United States. Recessed until tomorrow morning.

COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION—HOUSING—MEDALS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 7541, to increase the borrowing power of the Commodity Credit Corporation;

H. R. 7540, to provide for the sale of a Government-owned housing project to the city of Hooks, Tex.; and

S. 463, authorizing issuance of commemorative medals in observance of the 250th anniversary of birth of Benjamin Franklin.

CAPITAL TRANSIT STRIKE

Committee on the District of Columbia: Met for executive consideration of the Capital Transit strike in the District. Made no announcement.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan subcommittee resumed hearings regarding its study of tax amortization. Today's witness was Prof. Charles Richard Cherington, professor of government, Harvard University, and consultant for the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. Recessed until Monday morning.

SOUTHWEST ELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Government Operations: The Chudoff subcommittee resumed its hearings to review actions of the Department of the Interior, and related agencies, in the sale of electric power from Federal dams in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas, and Louisiana. Received further testimony today from Dr. Henry Blalock, formerly with the Southwest Power Administration, and now representing co-ops from that area. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

VETERANS—FARM-CITY WEEK

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 1761, to relieve certain veterans who relied on an erroneous interpretation of the law from liability to repay a portion of the subsistence allowances which they received under the GI bill of rights;

H. R. 5205, amended, to extend to uniformed members of the Armed Forces the same protection against bodily attack as is now granted to personnel of the Coast Guard;

H. J. Res. 317, amended, designating the last week in October of each year as National Farm-City Week; and

Twenty-six private claim bills (25 of the House and 1 of the Senate); and 22 private immigration bills (2 of the House and 20 of the Senate).

Also tabled 7 private claim bills of the House and S. 387, a private immigration bill.

PANAMA CANAL

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: The Garmatz subcommittee discussed Panama Canal matters in executive session today.

LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Committee on Public Works: The Jones (Alabama) subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee 30 miscellaneous lease-purchase agreements, which are scheduled for full committee consideration tomorrow morning.

HOUSING—VACCINE

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 2 hours of general debate on S. 2126, the Housing Act of 1955. The rule would also make in order, as a substitute, H. R. 7473, a bill introduced by Representative Wolcott, to consider certain housing and urban renewal programs.

Also considered, but made no announcement on, a rule request for H. R. 7126, to provide grants to assist States to meet the cost of poliomyelitis vaccination program.

STATE DEPARTMENT—SUGAR

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules providing for 1 hour debate on each of the following bills—

S. 2237, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department; and

H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948.

Testifying on S. 2237 were Representatives Richards and Vorys, and on H. R. 7030 were Representatives Cooley and Hill.

CIVILIAN APPOINTMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted open rules providing for 1 hour debate on each of the following private bills—

S. 1271, to authorize the appointment in a civilian position in the Department of Justice of Brig. Gen. Edwin B. Howard, U. S. Army, retired; and

S. 1272, to authorize the appointment in a civilian position in the Department of Justice of Maj. Gen. Frank H. Partridge, U. S. Army, retired.

PATENT EXTENSIONS

Committee on Rules: Considered, and laid aside, a rule request for H. R. 2128, to authorize the extension of patents covering inventions whose practice was prevented or curtailed during certain emergency periods by service of the patent owner in the Armed Forces or by production controls.

VA HOSPITALS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Heard departmental officials today in connection with the development of the long-range construction program of VA hospitals. Received testimony from Dr. W. S. Middleton, Chief Medical Director, VA; Lawrence Gibbons, Chief of Requirements Division, VA; and Pierre S. Palmer, Bureau of the Budget.

MORO PROVINCE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Ordered reported to the House H. J. Res. 110, to place individuals (and their survivors) who served in the U. S. Armed Forces in the Moro Province, including Mindanao, and in the islands of Leyte and Samar between July 4, 1902, and December 31, 1913, in the same status for pension purposes as those who served in the Armed Forces during the Philippine Insurrection.

"UPJEWELING"

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded hearings on H. R. 7466 and 7467, relating to definition of substitutes for jewels in imported watch movements. Witnesses testifying today were Arde Bulova, chairman of the board, Bulova Watch Co.; Arthur Sinkler, representing the American Watch Manufacturers Association, accompanied by James G. Shennan, president of the Elgin Watch Co.; S. Ralph Lazrus, president, American Watch Association; William Fox, executive secretary, American Watch Association; William Zint, director of operations, accompanied by Leonard Sadow, of the Longines-Wittnauer Watch Co.; and Millard E. Tydings, counsel, American Watch Association. Recessed until tomorrow morning for executive session on the proposal and pending bills introduced by committee members.

FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

Select Committee on Small Business: The Evins subcommittee resumed hearings today in connection with its current study of organized procedures of Federal regulatory commissions and agencies. Heard testimony from the following representatives of the Federal Power Commission—Jerome K. Kuykendall, Chairman; Claude L. Draper, Vice Chairman; Henry R. Domers, Executive Officer; Leon M. Fuquay, Secretary; Willard W. Gatchell, General Counsel, Bureau of Law; Lambert McAllister, Assistant Chief, Bureau of Law; Howard E. Wahrenbrock, Chief, Division of Electric Power; Francis L. Adams, Chief, Bureau of Power; Harold E. Roberts, engineer, Bureau of Power; Charles W. Smith, Bureau of Accounts, Finance, and Rates; and Earl F. Sechrest, Chief, Division of Budget and Finance. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

Joint Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee, in executive session, approved a subcommittee report on various research agreements for cooperation.

The committee also considered matters relating to Mississippi Valley Generating Co. contracts, and salaries of Atomic Energy Commission employees.

AGREEMENTS FOR COOPERATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation, in executive session, approved a report on various research agreements for cooperation.

ATOMIC-POWERED VESSELS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Research and Development Subcommittee continued its executive consideration of various bills authorizing construction of atomic-powered vessels. Participating in today's session were representatives of the Bureau of the Budget, AEC, the Navy, Maritime Administration, General Electric Co., and Westinghouse Corp.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Conferees on H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956, met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of the bill, but did not reach final agreement and will meet again tomorrow.

D. C. TEACHERS' SALARIES

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the difference between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed legislative appropriations bill and numerous sundry bills.
House passed modified housing bill.
Miscellaneous tax revisions approved by House committee.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 11952–11962, 12081

Bills Introduced: 17 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2675–S. 2691; S. J. Res. 98; S. Con. Res. 56; and S. Res. 143 and 144. **Pages 11954, 11955, 12081**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 65, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act regarding definition of "detention" duties (S. Rept. 1233);

S. 2514, to declare certain portions of the waterway of West Haven and New Haven, Conn., known as the West River, a nonnavigable stream (S. Rept. 1234);

H. J. Res. 278, to provide that a gold medal be coined and presented to Dr. Jonas E. Salk in honor of his achievements in the field of medicine (S. Rept. 1235);

H. R. 4410, 3024, and 4763, private bills (S. Repts. 1236–1238, respectively);

H. R. 593, to convey, by quitclaim deed, certain land to Texas (S. Rept. 1239);

S. 2339, to include town of Glendo, Wyo., in a sewerage system to be installed in connection with construction of Glendo Dam and Reservoir, with amendments (S. Rept. 1240);

H. R. 1539, a private bill (S. Rept. 1241);

H. R. 2553, to amend Internal Revenue Code relating to the use of corporation property by a shareholder (S. Rept. 1242);

H. R. 2619, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to credits or refunds of the tax on the income of certain trusts (S. Rept. 1243);

H. R. 4394, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relating to definition of wages for withholding-tax purposes (S. Rept. 1244);

H. R. 5647, to repeal the excise tax on motorcycles (S. Rept. 1245);

H. R. 6727, to authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain lands to the city of Milwaukee, Wis. (S. Rept. 1246);

H. R. 7018, relating to enforcement of narcotic laws (S. Rept. 1247);

H. R. 7064, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to extend period for exercise of restricted stock options after termination of employment (S. Rept. 1248);

H. R. 7300, relating to tax treatment of income received from patent infringement suits (S. Rept. 1249);

S. 2587, to amend the PHS Act to authorize the President to make the commissioned corps a military service in time of emergency (S. Rept. 1250);

S. 2670, providing assistance to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities (S. Rept. 1251);

H. R. 7628, private bill (S. Rept. 1252);

S. 2377, to make temporary provision for making payments in lieu of taxes regarding certain real property transferred by RFC to other Government departments, with amendment (S. Rept. 1253);

H. R. 257, relating to income tax of members of the Armed Forces selling their residences, with amendments (S. Rept. 1254);

H. R. 6263, to amend the Internal Revenue Code regarding arbitrage operations in securities, with amendments (S. Rept. 1255);

H. R. 6590, to prohibit Federal employment to persons who are disloyal or who believe in the right to strike against the U. S. Government (S. Rept. 1256);

S. 2628, to increase rates of compensation of the heads and assistant heads of executive departments and independent agencies, with amendments (S. Rept. 1257);

H. R. 4508, a private bill (S. Rept. 1258);

S. 2629, to provide for entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the U. S. classified as or known to be valuable for coal, with amendment (S. Rept. 1259);

H. R. 4581, to reduce excise tax on cutting oils (S. Rept. 1260);

H. R. 6634, conveyance of land in Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project to city of Grapevine, Tex. (S. Rept. 1261);

H. R. 5249, providing for a refund or credit of taxes paid on distilled spirits rendered unmarketable as result of hurricanes of 1954 (S. Rept. 1262);

H. R. 6122, to permit free importation of bells for The Citadel, South Carolina (S. Rept. 1263);

H. R. 7095, to exempt from admissions tax athletic events held for the benefit of the U. S. Olympic Association (S. Rept. 1264);

Report of Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce entitled "Overcrowding at Washington National Airport and Need for an Additional Airport for the National Capital" (S. Rept. 1265);

S. Res. 143, amending rule for paying witnesses summoned to appear before Senate or any of its committees so that payment may be made of not to exceed $12 per day plus travel expenses of not to exceed 10 cents per mile (no written report). Pages 11953–11954

Bills Referred: 13 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 12042

Resolution Re-Referred: S. Res. 132, authorizing additional funds of $5,000 for Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, was taken from calendar and re-referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 11955

Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 6645, to amend the Natural Gas Act, was ordered to be placed on calendar. Page 11952

Legislative Appropriations: Senate passed with amendments H. R. 7117, fiscal 1956 appropriations for the legislative branch, after taking the following actions on amendments:

Adopted: All committee amendments en bloc, which were then considered as original text for purpose of amendment; modified Robertson amendment to increase to $15,500 salary of Senate legislative counsel; Knowland amendment providing $10,000 for expenses of Theodore Roosevelt Centennial Commission; Humphrey amendment providing $50,000 for expenses of Commission on Government Security; and Robertson amendment providing $41,500 additional funds for Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission; and

Rejected: On division vote, amendment by Senator Smith (Maine) to eliminate language limiting to $8,820 basic salary of any officer or employee whose salary is disbursed by Secretary of Senate; and on point of order, provision to consider service of employees of the Republican or Democratic senatorial campaign committees as legislative service for purpose of retirement.

Senate insisted on its amendment, asked for a conference with House, and appointed as conferees Senators Clements, Chavez, Hayden, Bridges, and Saltonstall. Pages 11962–11972

Private Bill: Senate passed with committee amendment H. R. 6232, a private bill. Page 11972

Sale of Steamships: Senate passed with committee amendments S. J. Res. 91 and S. J. Res. 92, authorizing Secretary of Commerce to sell steamships *LaGuardia* and *Monterey*, respectively. Pages 11972–11973

Committee Expenditures: The following three resolutions providing funds for various committee activities were adopted without amendment: S. Res. 133, increasing by $15,000 funds for study by Committee on Foreign Relations of technical assistance and related programs; S. Res. 136, increasing by $15,000 limit of expenditures by Committee on Appropriations; and S. Res. 137, increasing by $20,000 limit of expenditures by Committee on the Judiciary. Page 11974

Printing Resolutions: The following three printing resolutions were adopted without amendment: S. Con. Res. 49, authorizing printing of 3,000 copies of certain matters in connection with acceptance of statue of the late Chief Justice Edward Douglass White, of Louisiana; S. Con. Res. 51, authorizing printing of 1,000 additional copies of hearings by Committee on Banking and Currency on Stock Market Study; and H. Con. Res. 161, providing for printing as a House document the song, Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Pages 11974–11975

Domestic Minerals Program: By 54 yeas to 34 nays, Senate passed H. R. 6373, to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals, after adopting committee amendments, 2 amendments by Senator Humphrey (1) directing Secretary of Interior to establish and operate a mining research center in Minnesota, and (2) to establish a new manganese ore-buying depot to serve Cuyuna Range area, Minnesota; and Dworshak amendment of a technical corrective nature. Senate then tabled motion to reconsider passage of the bill.

Senate insisted on its amendments, asked for a conference, and appointed as conferees Senators Murray, Scott, Malone, O'Mahoney, and Dworshak. Pages 11975–11997, 12060

Private Bills: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 4249 and H. R. 5078, private bills. Pages 11998, 12078

Federal Personnel Bonds: Conference report on H. R. 4778, bonding of civilian and military personnel of the Federal Government, was adopted. Page 11998

Treaties Ratified: By 72 yeas to 14 nays, Senate adopted resolution of ratification as to Treaty of Mutual Understanding and Cooperation between U. S. and Panama, and memorandum of understandings reached, signed at Panama on January 25, 1955 (Exec. F, 84th Cong., 1st sess.).

By unanimous vote of 86 yeas, Senate adopted resolutions of ratification on the following 4 tax conventions:

Modification, by Government of Netherlands, of convention dated April 29, 1948, between U. S. and Netherlands for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to income and other taxes, with a view to extending operation of the convention to the Netherlands Antilles, dated June 24, 1952 (Exec. I, 83d Cong., 2d sess.);

Protocol signed June 15, 1955, supplementing convention between U. S. and Netherlands with respect to income and other taxes for purpose of facilitating extension to Netherlands Antilles (Exec. I, 84th Cong., 1st sess.);

Convention between U. S. and Italy for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to income taxes, signed at Washington, March 30, 1955 (Exec. C, 84th Cong., 1st sess.); and

Convention between U. S. and Italy for avoidance of double taxation and prevention of fiscal evasion with re-

spect to estate and inheritance taxes, signed at Washington, March 30, 1955 (Exec. D, 84th Cong., 1st sess.).

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Indian Land Leases: Conference report was adopted on S. 34, long-term leasing of restricted Indian lands in Arizona for certain purposes, clearing bill for President.

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Housing: Senate disagreed to House amendments to S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955, agreed to hold conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Sparkman, Fulbright, Douglas, Lehman, Capehart, Bricker, and Ives. Page 12036

D. C. Teachers: Senate adopted conference report on and cleared for President S. 1093, to fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education. Page 12049

Mineral Resources: Senate insisted on its amendments to H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of mineral resources of public lands withdrawn for power development, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Anderson, O'Mahoney, Scott, Kuchel, and Goldwater.

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Atomic Energy Community Act: Senate passed S. 2630, the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955, after adopting a series of modified Knowland amendments providing for AEC to present to Joint Committee on Atomic Energy its recommendations respecting further contribution payments to atomic communities, and Case amendment respecting benefit to U. S. in reducing possible requirements for local assistance as authorized in bill. Pages 12036, 12039, 12061–12072

CCC: Senate passed without amendment S. 2604, to increase the borrowing power of the CCC.

Pages 12072–12074

Capital Retirement: H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration, was made Senate's unfinished business. Pages 12076–12077

Minimum Wage: Senate adopted conference report on S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act by increasing the national minimum hourly wage from 75 cents to $1. Pages 12077–12078

Korean War Orphans: Senate passed with committee amendment, S. 2312, a private bill for relief of Korean war orphans. Page 12078

Alexander Hamilton Commission: S. 1395, celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Alexander Hamilton, was passed with committee amendment.

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CCC Cotton Sale: Senate passed with amendment S. 2446, to permit sale of CCC stocks of cotton that are in excess supply for unrestricted use at current market prices. Pages 12078–12079

Confirmations: Following debate thereon, Senate confirmed, by 43 yeas to 41 nays, nomination of John A. Hall, of California, to be Director of Locomotive Inspection, ICC.

Senate also confirmed 5 judicial nominations, numerous Army appointments, and 1 postmaster.

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Nominations: Nomination of Harold E. Stassen, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Representative of U. S. on U. N. Disarmament Commission, was received, along with three postmasters. Page 12082

Adjournment: Adjourned at 11:51 p. m.

Committee Meetings

ARMY AND AIR FORCE EMERGENCY CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction, in executive session, approved expenditures of emergency construction funds by the Air Force to replace a chapel at Offutt Air Force Base, Nebr., and by the Army to replace an officers' open mess at Fort Sheridan, Ill.

SALK MEDAL

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee ordered favorably reported without amendment H. J. Res. 278, to provide that a gold medal be coined and presented to Dr. Jonas E. Salk in honor of his achievements in the field of medicine.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

Without amendment—H. R. 6727, to authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain lands to the city of Milwaukee, Wis.; H. R. 1539, a private bill; H. R. 4394, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relating to definition of wages for withholding-tax purposes; H. R. 2619, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to credits or refunds of the tax on the income of certain trusts; H. R. 2553, to amend Internal Revenue Code relating to the use of corporation property by a shareholder; H. R. 5647, to repeal the excise tax on motorcycles; H. R. 7018, relating to enforcement of narcotic laws; H. R. 7064, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to extend period for exercise of restricted stock options after termination of employment; H. R. 7300, relating to tax treatment of income received from patent infringement suits; H. R. 4581, to reduce excise tax on cutting oils; H. R. 5249, providing for a refund or credit of taxes paid on distilled spirits rendered unmarketable as result of hurricanes of 1954; H. R. 6122, to permit free importation of bells for The Citadel,

South Carolina; and H. R. 7095, to exempt from admissions tax athletic events held for the benefit of the U. S. Olympic Association;

With amendments—H. R. 257, relating to income tax of members of the Armed Forces selling their residences (with context of H. R. 7057, relating to income-tax treatment where taxpayer recovers a substantial amount held by another under claim of right, as an amendment); and with technical amendments H. R. 6263, to amend the Internal Revenue Code regarding arbitrage operations in securities (with amended context of H. R. 5557, to amend the Internal Revenue Code with respect to the definition of a personal holding company); and

The nominations of David W. Kendall, of Michigan, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury; and Fred G. Scribner, Jr., of Maine, to be General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury.

ATLANTIC EXPLORATORY CONVENTION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on S. Con. Res. 12, favoring the calling of an Atlantic Exploratory Convention, after hearing testimony favoring the proposal from Senator Neuberger, and Helen Hamer, member of the board, Women for Union of the Free. Testifying in opposition to this resolution were Deputy Under Secretary of State Robert Murphy, who read a statement in behalf of Secretary Dulles; Mrs. Ralph E. Hacker, of New Jersey, representing the National Association of Pro-America; Francis McNamara, VFW; and Mrs. George Howard, representing the Wheel of Progress.

GLENDO DAM AND RESERVOIR

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 2339, to include town of Glendo, Wyo., in a sewerage system to be installed in connection with construction of Glendo Dam and Reservoir.

WEST RIVER, CONN.

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 2514, to declare certain portions of the waterway of West Haven and New Haven, Conn., known as the West River, a nonnavigable stream.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held and concluded hearings on the nominations of C. William Kraft, Jr., to be U. S. district judge for the eastern district of Pennsylvania, and Thurmond Clark to be U. S. district judge for the southern district of California.

Subcommittee also held hearings on the nomination of Warren E. Burger, to be U. S. circuit judge for the District of Columbia. These hearings were recessed subject to call.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings with regard to the Dixon-Yates power contract, hearing further testimony from Chairman J. Sinclair Armstrong, and Robert McDowell, Director of Division of Corporate Regulation, both of the SEC.

BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment S. 2670, providing assistance to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities; and S. 2587, to amend the PHS Act to authorize the President to make the commissioned corps a military service in time of emergency; the nominations of Ewan Clague, of Pennsylvania, to be Director, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Newell Brown, of New Hampshire, to be Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, both Labor Department; and H. R. 3024, 4410, and 4763, private bills.

Committee also approved a motion by Senator Lehman providing that the Subcommittee on Labor make a study of jurisdictional policies of the NLRB, and such recommendations as it sees fit as to whether a full investigation is necessary.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported without amendment H. R. 593, to convey, by quitclaim deed, certain land to Texas; H. R. 6634, conveyance of land in Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project to city of Grapevine, Tex.; H. R. 7195, reconveyance of lands in certain reservoir projects in Texas to former owners of such lands; and H. R. 7628, a private bill; and

The following lease-purchase projects: post offices at Lafayette, La., and Gainesville, Tex., and a courthouse and Federal office building at Parkersburg, W. Va.

Committee deferred action until early next session on S. 2373, to amend the TVA Act of 1933.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H. R. 7717–7737; 8 private bills, H. R. 7738–7745; and 13 resolutions, H. J. Res. 415–426 and H. Res. 330, were introduced.

Pages 12101, 12168–12169

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H. R. 4249, a private bill (H. Rept. 1569);

Report of special subcommittee of Committee on the Judiciary entitled "Intergovernmental Commission for

European Migration and Immigration to the United States" (H. Rept. 1570);

H. J. Res. 194, designating General Grant Tree (known as the Nation's Christmas Tree) in Kings Canyon National Park, Calif., as a national shrine, amended (H. Rept. 1571);

H. R. 6804, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to distribute equally to members of the Kaw Tribe of Indians certain moneys to the credit of the tribe in the U. S. Treasury, amended (H. Rept. 1572);

S. 1745, a private bill (H. Rept. 1573);

H. Res. 330, providing for the consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, H. R. 7126, to provide grants to assist States to meet the cost of poliomyelitis vaccination programs (H. Rept. 1574);

S. 1906, authorizing the Pueblos of San Lorenzo and Pojoaque in New Mexico to sell certain land to the Navaho Tribe (H. Rept. 1575);

S. 756, Federal aid to States on wildlife restoration projects (H. Rept. 1576);

S. 2049, recognizing the 50th anniversary of Devils Tower National Monument (H. Rept. 1577);

Disposition of executive papers (H. Repts. 1578–1580);

H. R. 6686, controlling of water chestnut infestation in the upper Chesapeake Bay tributaries (H. Rept. 1581);

S. 180, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma (H. Rept. 1582);

H. R. 5806, authorizing execution of repayment contract with Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Gila project, Arizona, amended (H. Rept. 1583);

Conference report on H. R. 5078, a private bill (H. Rept. 1584);

Conference report on H. R. 1003, a private bill (H. Rept. 1585);

Conference report on H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1586);

H. R. 2840, Federal aid for library service in rural areas (H. Rept. 1587);

Report of Subcommittee on Government Procurement, Disposal, and Loan Activities to the Select Committee on Small Business entitled "Washington Square Southeast Slum Clearance Project" (H. Rept. 1588);

H. R. 7433, providing assistance for certain landless Indians in the State of Montana (H. Rept. 1589);

H. R. 5556, authorizing a preliminary examination and survey of McGirts Creek, Fla., for flood control (H. Rept. 1590);

S. 1899, authorizing the improvement of the Amite River and its tributaries (H. Rept. 1591);

H. R. 6256, granting consent to Kansas and Oklahoma to enter a compact on apportionment of waters of Arkansas River and its tributaries, amended (H. Rept. 1592);

H. R. 7596, providing for the disposal of federally owned property at obsolescent canalized waterways (H. Rept. 1593);

H. R. 4582, carryover of unused pension trust deductions in certain cases (H. Rept. 1594);

H. R. 7036, amending section 37 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 respecting retirement income-tax credit (H. Rept. 1595);

H. R. 7094, relating to unlimited deduction for charitable contributions (H. Rept. 1596);

H. R. 7466, amending Tariff Act of 1930 defining substitutes for jewels in imported watch movements (H. Rept. 1597);

H. R. 5265, to exempt certain additional foreign travel from the tax on the transportation of persons (H. Rept. 1598); and

H. R. 7247, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 with respect to the treatment of gain in certain railroad reorganizations (H. Rept. 1599). **Pages 12167–12168**

Taxes: Considered and passed the following bills from the Committee on Ways and Means:

U. S. Olympic Association: H. R. 7095, exemption from admissions tax for certain athletic events held for the benefit of United States Olympic Association (with committee amendment);

Amorphous graphite: H. R. 3653, transfer of amorphous graphite from dutiable list to free list (with committee amendment);

Religious vestments: H. R. 4376, to exempt from duty the importation of certain handwoven fabrics when used in the making of religious vestments (with committee amendment);

Cutting oils: H. R. 4581, relative to excise tax on cutting oils (with committee amendment);

Distilled spirits tax refund: H. R. 5249, refund of tax on distilled spirits and wines rendered unmarketable as result of hurricanes of 1954;

Transferees and fiduciaries: H. R. 5428, to provide that chapter 71 of the Internal Revenue Code relative to transferees and fiduciaries shall apply with respect to any tax imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1939 (with committee amendment);

Citadel carillon: H. R. 6122, remitting the duty on certain bells to be imported for addition to the carillon of The Citadel, Charleston, S. C.;

Estate tax: H. R. 6595, to amend certain provisions of law relating to the estate tax (with committee amendment);

Technical changes: H. R. 7012, amendment of section 209 (a) of the Technical Changes Act of 1953, relative to taxes on life insurance;

Estate tax credit: H. R. 7054, credit against estate tax for tax on certain prior transfers (with committee amendment); and

Installment obligations: H. R. 7364, relating to the application of the documentary stamp tax to transfers of certain installment obligations (with committee amendment). **Pages 12084–12090**

Conference Reports Adopted: Considered and adopted conference reports on the following bills:

International claims: H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949 (sent the bill to the Senate);

Alaska water resources: H. R. 3990, authorizing Federal investigation of water resources projects in Alaska (cleared for the President);

Indian lands: S. 34, to provide for the leasing by Indian owners of restricted Indian lands (sent the bill to the Senate);

D. C. teachers' salaries: S. 1093, to increase the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education (sent the bill to the Senate);

Mexican farm labor: H. R. 3822, to extend until June 30, 1957, the Mexican farm-labor program (cleared the bill for the President);

Food donations: H. R. 2851, to make agricultural commodities owned by the CCC available to persons in need in areas of acute distress (cleared the bill for the President). Pages 12090–12092, 12095–12097, 12101–12102

Reclamation Projects: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 5881, to provide for Federal cooperation in non-Federal reclamation projects and for participation by non-Federal agencies in Federal reclamation projects; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Engle, Aspinall, O'Brien of New York, Miller of Nebraska, and Saylor. Page 12093

Unanimous-Consent Passages: Pursuant to unanimous-consent requests the following bills were considered and passed:

Red River compact: S. 2260, granting consent to Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to a compact on Red River (with committee amendment);

Retirement annuities: H. R. 7618, to adjust civil-service retirement annuities (with committee amendment);

Civil defense, surplus donations: H. R. 7227, to authorize the disposal of surplus property for civil-defense purposes and to provide that certain Federal surplus property be disposed of to State and local civil-defense organizations which are established by or pursuant to State law (with committee amendment);

Federal property: H. R. 6182, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act to make temporary provision for making payments in lieu of taxes in certain instances;

Armed services construction: S. 1138, to extend authority for construction by the armed services during a war or national emergency (without amendment and cleared for the President);

Lewisville Dam, Tex.: H. R. 6102, changing the name of Garza-Little Elm Dam located in Denton County, Tex., to Lewisville Dam;

Texas land conveyance: H. R. 6634, to provide for the conveyance of certain land within the Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project to the city of Grapevine, Tex., for sewage-disposal purposes;

Texas land reconveyance: H. R. 7195, providing for the reconveyance of lands in certain reservoir projects in Texas to former owners of such lands (with committee amendment); and

Atomic Energy Commission: H. R. 7684, to authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to pay the salary of a Commissioner during the recess of the Senate.

Pages 12092–12093, 12093–12095, 12097–12101, 12103–12104, 12147

Private Bills: H. R. 1751, 2747, and 6232, private bills, were cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto. Pages 12103, 12147

Housing: By a record vote of 396 yeas to 3 nays S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955, was passed after the Wolcott substitute amendment had been adopted by a rollcall vote of 217 yeas to 188 nays. A motion to recommit the bill with instructions to report it back immediately with the committee bill, as reported, substituted for the Wolcott provisions was rejected by a voice vote.

The bill as passed contains no provision for public housing but extends numerous Government programs due to expire on July 31.

House insisted on its amendment to the bill; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Rains, Wolcott, Gamble, and Talle.

H. Res. 326, the rule for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted earlier. Pages 12104–12145

Legislative Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 7117, making appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1956; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Norrell, Kirwan, Rooney, Cannon, Horan, Bow, and Taber. Page 12146

Armed Forces Voting: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Burleson, Ashmore, and Morano. Page 12146

Mineral Resources: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed Representatives Engle, Aspinall, Rogers of Texas, Saylor, and Young conferees. Pages 12146–12147

Defense Production: Adopted H. Res. 320, the rule providing for the consideration of H. R. 7470, to extend the Defense Production Act, concluded general debate, and read the first section of the bill for amendment before deferring further action on the bill to Saturday. Pages 12147–12152

Sugar Act Extension: Adopted H. Res. 328, the rule providing for the consideration of H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948, but deferred consideration of the bill to Saturday. Pages 12147–12148

Bills Referred: 33 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 12166

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:17 p. m.

Committee Meetings

LIFE INSURANCE

Committee on Armed Services: The Hébert subcommittee completed hearings in connection with its study of the sale of commercial life insurance on Government reservations. Received testimony today from Louis Grayson, of the National Association of Life Underwriters; and representatives of various life-insurance companies located in Texas and Alabama.

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs announced that hearings are scheduled for next Monday (10 a. m.) in connection with its study of the tax amortization program, 1501 New House Office Building.

STATE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on Government Operations: The Hardy Subcommittee on International Operations announced that hearings are scheduled for next Monday and Tuesday (10 a. m.) in connection with its study of overseas personnel administration of the State Department.

INDIANS—IRRIGATION—LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4656, relating to the Lumbee Indians of North Carolina;

H. R. 5806, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to execute a repayment contract with the Yuma Mesa Irrigation and Drainage District, Gila project, in Arizona;

H. R. 7433, to provide assistance for certain landless Indians in the State of Montana;

S. 180, to authorize construction, operation, and maintenance of the Washita River Basin reclamation project, Oklahoma;

S. 1745, a private bill;

S. 1906, to authorize the Pueblos of San Lorenzo and Pojoaque in New Mexico to sell certain lands to the Navaho Tribe; and

S. 2049, to recognize the 50th anniversary of Devil's Tower National Monument.

WOC EMPLOYEES

Committee on the Judiciary: The Subcommittee on Antitrust Problems resumed hearings today in connection with its study of certain aspects of the employment of persons "without compensation" in Government agencies. Heard further testimony from Charles F. Honeywell, Administrator, Business and Defense Services Administration, Department of Commerce. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

WILDLIFE RESTORATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported to the House S. 756, to authorize Federal aid to the States, Territories, and possessions, upon their fulfilling certain conditions, for wildlife restoration projects.

Previous to this action, the Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife also approved the measure today for the full committee's consideration.

POST OFFICE STUDY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: The Dowdy subcommittee held an executive organizational meeting in connection with its study and investigation of the post office and postal operations.

WATERWAYS—COMPACTS

Committee on Public Works: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 5566, authorizing a preliminary examination and survey of McGirts Creek, Fla.;

H. R. 6256, granting the consent of Congress to the States of Kansas and Oklahoma to negotiate and enter into a compact relating to their interests in, and the apportionment of, the waters of the Arkansas River and its tributaries as they affect such States;

H. R. 6686, providing for a preliminary examination and survey by the Secretary of the Army for the purpose of controlling water-chestnut infestation in the upper Chesapeake Bay tributaries;

H. R. 7596, to provide for the disposal of federally owned property at obsolescent canalized waterways; and

S. 1899, to authorize the improvement of the Amite River and its tributaries in Louisiana.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: Approved the following review resolutions which were reported from the Subcommittee on Rivers and Harbors—

Hudson River Channel, N. J.;
Ocracoke Inlet, N. C.;
Drum Inlet, N. C.;
Manistique Harbor, Mich.;
Bristol Harbor, R. I.;
Echo Bay Harbor, New Rochelle, N. Y.;
Brazos Island Harbor, Tex.;
Pensacola Harbor, Fla.;
Pigs Eye Lake, Minn.;
Manistee River and Harbor, Mich.; and
Rollinson Channel and Harbor, N. C.

FLOOD CONTROL

Committee on Public Works: Approved one flood-control resolution—Sandy Lick Creek, at Brooksville, Pa.

POST OFFICES

Committee on Public Works: Approved the following Post Office Department projects, to build post offices, at—

Ontonagon, Mich.;
Grundy, Va.;
Newkirk, Okla.;
Refugio, Tex.;
West Memphis, Ark.;
Cashmere, Wash.;
Madison, Tenn.;
Jefferson, Ohio;
Camden, N. Y.;
Maplewood, N. J.;
Skaneateles, N. Y.;
Newtown, Pa.;
Toronto, Ohio;
New Richmond, Wis.;
Fort Mill, S. C.; and
Houston, Tex., post office building and terminal annex.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, GSA

Committee on Public Works: Approved the following General Services Administration building projects—

Omaha, Nebr., post office and courthouse;
Brunswick, Ga., post office and courthouse;
Carthage, Tenn., post office and courthouse;
Durham, N. H., post office and other offices;
Richmond, Va., Federal office building;
New York, N. Y., U. S. Mission to United Nations building;
Burlington, Vt., post office and courthouse;
New Orleans, La., post office and other offices;
Minneapolis, Minn., courthouse and Federal office building;
Burlington, Iowa, post office and other offices;
Lafayette, La., post office and other offices;
Parkersburg, W. Va., courthouse and Federal office building;
Washington, D. C., Civil Service building; and
Gainesville, Tex., post office and other offices.

Special resolution approving modifications of projects heretofore approved by the committee subject to approval by the Bureau of the Budget. All projects have now been approved by the Bureau of the Budget.

VACCINE

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour debate on H. R. 7126, to provide grants to assist States to meet the cost of poliomyelitis vaccination program.

HOUSE EMPLOYEES—OKLAHOMA PROJECT

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing for 1 hour of debate on H. R. 7440, to revise and adjust the pay schedule of House employees.

Also considered, and denied a rule request for S. 180, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to construct, operate, and maintain the Washita River Basin reclamation project, in Oklahoma.

Testifying on the House employee salary bill were Representatives Burleson, LeCompte, Friedel, Jones of Missouri, Ashmore, Hays of Ohio, and Byrd. Speaking in connection with the Oklahoma reclamation project were Representatives Engle, Aspinall, Wickersham, Edmondson, Albert, and Saylor.

TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 4392, relating to the tax treatment of real-estate investment trusts;

H. R. 4582, relating to carryovers in certain corporate acquisitions of unused pension-trust deductions;

H. R. 5330, amended, relating to carryover to an acquiring corporation of amortization of bond discounts and premiums;

H. R. 5265, relating to tax on transportation of persons for certain travel outside of the United States;

H. R. 7036, amended, conforming section 37 of the Internal Revenue Code to the social security retirement income provisions;

H. R. 7094, amended, relating to qualifying period for unlimited charitable deductions;

H. R. 7247, relating to treatment of gain in certain railroad reorganizations; and

H. R. 7466, relating to definition of substitutes for jewels in imported watch movements.

(H. R. 4392 and 5330 were not unanimously approved, and will be included in the "bobtail" bill which is being prepared by the committee.)

Recessed until tomorrow morning for further executive consideration of bills introduced by committee members.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC-POWERED VESSELS

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported to the Senate and House, respectively, with amendments, S. 2523 and H. R. 7038, to authorize appropriations for development, construction, and operation of 2 atomic energy propulsion facilities.

APPROPRIATIONS—SUPPLEMENTAL

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956.

D. C. DELEGATES

Conferees met in executive session to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions, but did not reach final agreement, and recessed subject to call.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate cleared supplemental appropriations for White House, and passed 71 measures on call of calendar and numerous other bills on motion.

House passed numerous bills including Sugar and Defense Production Act extensions.

House committee approved miscellaneous tax revisions.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12189–12227

Bills Introduced: 40 bills and 4 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2692–S. 2731; and S. J. Res. 99–102.

Pages 12194–12199

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 938, providing for payment and collection of wages in the D. C., with amendment (S. Rept. 1266);

S. J. Res. 93, authorizing acceptance of a gift from the Ericsson Memorial Committee, with amendments (S. Rept. 1267);

Report on article VII, NATO Status of Forces Treaty (S. Rept. 1268);

S. 2523, to authorize construction of a nuclear-powered prototype merchant ship for operation in foreign commerce of U. S., with amendments (S. Rept. 1269);

H. R. 7195, reconveyance of lands in certain reservoir projects in Texas to former owners of such lands (S. Rept. 1270);

S. 898, to amend the Interstate Commerce Act with respect to the authority of the ICC to regulate the use by motor carriers of motor vehicles not owned by them, with amendments (S. Rept. 1271);

Report of Select Committee on Small Business entitled "Maintenance of the Mobilization Base" (S. Rept. 1272);

Report of Select Committee on Small Business entitled "Bidding Procedures of the Military Sea Transportation Service" (S. Rept. 1273);

Report of Select Committee on Small Business entitled "Participation of Small Business in Military Procurement" (S. Rept. 1274);

H. R. 6102, to change name of Garza-Little Elm Dam in Denton County, Tex., to Lewisville Dam (S. Rept. 1275);

S. 530, S. 872, H. R. 3027, H. R. 3063, private bills (S. Repts. 1276–1279);

Report of Committee on Banking and Currency entitled "Factors Affecting the Stock Market" (S. Rept. 1280);

Report of Committee on Banking and Currency entitled "Study of Federal Housing Programs" (S. Rept. 1281);

H. R. 7289, to authorize the States to organize and maintain State defense forces, with amendments (no written report); and

S. Res. 132, providing additional funds of $5,000 for Committee on Labor and Public Welfare (no written report).

Pages 12189–12194

Bills Referred: Four House-passed were referred to appropriate committees.

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Bill Placed on Calendar: H. R. 6182, making temporary provision for payments in lieu of taxes with respect to certain real property transferred by RFC to other Government departments, was ordered to be placed on calendar.

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Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 71 measures, of which 16 were private, were passed, as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

D. C. insane: H. R. 6585, to amend the act to establish a code of law for the D. C. with regard to insanity pleas;

Disbursing officers: H. R. 7034, to provide permanent authority for the relief of certain disbursing officers;

Accountable officers: H. R. 7035, to amend the act authorizing relief of accountable officers of the Government;

Texas land: H. J. Res. 276, authorizing the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation to convey certain land to Kerr County, Tex.;

O'Reilly Hospital: H. R. 482, conveyance of portion of former O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo., to State of Missouri;

San Joaquin: H. R. 6066, to modify San Joaquin flood-control project;

Mississippi River: H. R. 6417, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of bridge across Mississippi River, Miss. and Ark.;

Jim Woodruff Reservoir: H. R. 1599, to reconvey certain lands at the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Ga. and Fla.;

Demopolis Dam: H. R. 3235, to reconvey certain lands at the Demopolis lock and dam, Alabama;

Naval Postgraduate School: H. R. 2149, to increase the annual compensation of the academic dean of the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School;

Nurses: H. R. 2559, to authorize male nurses and medical specialists to be appointed as Reserve officers;

Naval Academy: H. R. 4672, to increase the annuities of certain retired civilian members of the teaching staffs of the U. S. Naval Academy and the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School;

Military dependents: H. R. 6600, to authorize travel and transportation allowances and transportation of dependents and of baggage and household effects to the homes of members of armed services;

Naval retirement: H. R. 2112, to permit retirement of certain temporary officers of the naval service after completion of 20 years of active service;

Salk medal: H. J. Res. 278, to provide that a gold medal be coined and presented to Dr. Jonas E. Salk, in honor of his achievements in the field of medicine;

Texas land: H. R. 593, to convey, by quitclaim deed, certain land to Texas;

Tax: H. R. 2553, to amend Internal Revenue Code relating to the use of corporation property by a shareholder;

Tax: H. R. 2619, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to credits or refunds of the tax on the income of certain trusts;

Tax: H. R. 4394, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relating to definition of wages for withholding-tax purposes;

Tax: H. R. 5647, to repeal the excise tax on motorcycles;

Wisconsin land: H. R. 6727, to authorize the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to convey certain lands to the city of Milwaukee, Wis.;

Narcotics: H. R. 7018, relating to enforcement of narcotic laws;

Tax: H. R. 7300, relating to tax treatment of income received from patent infringement suits;

School aid: H. R. 7245, providing assistance to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities;

Property tax: H. R. 6182, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act with respect to taxes on certain real property transferred by the RFC;

Tax: H. R. 4581, to reduce excise tax on cutting oils;

Tax: H. R. 5249, providing for a refund or credit of taxes paid on distilled spirits rendered unmarketable as result of hurricanes of 1954;

Bells: H. R. 6122, to permit free importation of bells for The Citadel, South Carolina;

Tax: H. R. 7095, to exempt from admissions tax athletic events held for the benefit of the U. S. Olympic Association;

Disloyalty: H. R. 6590, to prohibit Federal employment to persons who are disloyal or who believe in the right to strike against the U. S. Government; and

Private bills: Five private bills, H. R. 1423, 3275, 4410, 1539, and 7628.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Presidential libraries: H. J. Res. 330, to provide for the acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries;

Alabama land: H. R. 46, conveyance of certain property in Fort McClellan to city of Anniston, Ala.;

Tax: H. R. 257, relating to income tax of members of the Armed Forces selling their residences;

Tax: H. R. 6263, to amend the Internal Revenue Code regarding arbitrage operations in securities;

Coal lands: H. R. 6994, to provide for entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the U. S. classified as or known to be valuable for coal;

Texas land: H. R. 6634, conveyance of land in Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project to city of Grapevine, Tex. (and with a floor amendment by Senator Morse requiring reimbursement of half the fair appraised market value);

Highland Falls: H. R. 1459, conveyance of land in Orange County to village of Highland Falls (with a floor amendment by Senator Morse requiring reimbursement of half the fair appraised market value); and

Private bills: Four private bills, H. R. 1496, 3024, 4763, 4508.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Historical records: S. 2364, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 regarding transfer of records to Archives;

Port Newark: S. 2624, to amend act providing for sale of Port Newark Army Base to city of Newark, N. J.;

West River: S. 2514, declaring a portion of the waterway of West Haven and New Haven, Conn., known as West River, a nonnavigable stream;

PHS: S. 2587, to amend the PHS Act to authorize the President to make the commissioned corps a military service in time of emergency;

Flammable fabrics: S. 1455, to amend the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard;

Detention duties: S. 65, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act regarding definition of "detention" duties; and

Private bills: Six private bills, S. 792, 1415, 2088, 2154, 2166, 2130.

With amendment and cleared for House:

Surplus property: S. 2591, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 with respect to utilization and disposal of excess and surplus property under the control of executive agencies;

Rockland Harbor: S. 1749, adopting and authorizing the improvement of Rockland Harbor, Maine;

Water contracts: S. 2374, authorizing Secretary of Army to enter into contracts to furnish water for municipal water supplies from flood control and river and harbor projects;

Nebraska court: S. 1512, to eliminate separate divisions and reduce the number of places of holding regular terms of the U. S. District Court for the District of Nebraska;

Acreage allotments: S. 2511, to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, regarding national acreage allotment;

Louisiana camps: S. 637, conveyance of Camps Livingston and Beauregard, and Esler Field, La., to the State of Louisiana;

Texas land: S. 1959, conveyance of land in Harris County, Tex., to the State of Texas;

Reserve midshipmen: S. 1748, to authorize the appointment of Reserve midshipmen in the U. S. Navy;

Illinois: S. 125, for the relief of the State of Illinois;

Glendo Dam: S. 2339, to include town of Glendo, Wyo., in a sewerage system to be installed in connection with construction of Glendo Dam and Reservoir; and

Private bill: One private bill, S. 1255.

Resolutions adopted without amendment:

Witness fees: S. Res. 143, amending rule for paying witnesses summoned to appear before Senate or any of its committees so that payment may be made of not to exceed $12 per day plus travel expenses of not to exceed 10 cents per mile; and

Private bill: S. Res. 142, referring S. 649, a private bill, to Court of Claims.

Bills indefinitely postponed: S. 2670, 2377, and 2629.

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Bill Recommitted—Stock Options: By unanimous consent during call of calendar, H. R. 7064, to amend the Internal Revenue Code to extend period for exercise of restricted stock options after termination of employment, was recommitted to Committee on Finance.

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Resolutions Referred: During call of calendar, S. Res. 140, relative to establishment of uniform fees and charges by Government agencies for work performed by them, was taken from calendar and referred to Committee on Rules and Administration. Page 12230

Elkins, W. Va.: S. 2182, providing relief for city of Elkins, W. Va., was passed after adoption of committee amendment. Pages 12305–12306

Texas City Disaster: Senate disagreed to House amendments to and asked for a conference on S. 1077, settlement of claims for damages resulting from disaster at Texas City, Tex., in 1949, and appointed as conferees Senators Johnston (South Carolina), Hennings, Daniel, Welker, and Butler. Page 12307

Supplemental Appropriations: Conference report on H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956, was adopted, Senate concurring in House amendments to numerous Senate amendments and receding from its amendment No. 62. This action clears the bill for the President. Pages 12249–12252

Committee Expenditures: Senate adopted S. Res. 132, providing additional funds of $5,000 for Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Page 12194

Farm Credit: Senate passed H. R. 5168, to provide for retirement of Government capital in certain institutions operating under Farm Credit Administration, after adopting all committee amendments, and rejecting, by 9 yeas to 80 nays, Williams amendment respecting application of assets on liquidation or dissolution of any bank for cooperatives. Pages 12239–12248

AEC: H. R. 7684, authorizing AEC to pay salary of a Commissioner during recess of Senate, was passed without amendment and cleared for President. S. 2671, an identical bill, was indefinitely postponed. Page 12253

Alexander Hamilton Commission: Authorization was granted to the Alexander Hamilton Commission to file interim report during recess of Senate. Page 12210

D. C. Capital Transit: Senate passed S. 2576, repealing the franchise of Capital Transit Co. operating in D. C., after taking action on amendments thereto, as follows:

Adopted: All committee amendments en bloc with same considered as original text thereafter for purpose of amendment; Allott amendment to preserve rights of East Washington Railway Co.; Beall amendment respecting operation of Capital Transit property in the State of Maryland; Morse amendment allowing D. C. Commissioners to contract with either the Capital Transit Co. or other companies; and Morse amendment providing for compensation of Capital Transit Co. for use of its property in accordance with terms of any contract negotiated or as determined by appropriate court action. Pages 12254–12270

Red River Compact: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 2260, granting consent to Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas to a compact on Red River, clearing bill for President. Pages 12251–12252

Armed Forces Voting: Senate insisted on its amendments to and asked for conference on H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise, and appointed as conferees Senators Green, Gore, and Curtis. Page 12271

Defense Production: Senate disagreed with House amendments to S. 2391, to amend and extend the Defense Production Act to June 30, 1956, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Sparkman, Douglas, Morse, Capehart, and Bricker. Pages 12291–12292

Mineral Resources: Conference report was adopted on H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and

utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development.

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FAO and ILO: Senate debated, but took no final action on, S. J. Res. 97, to amend laws providing for membership by U. S. in FAO and ILO, with an amendment by Senator Ellender, limiting U. S. contributions to these organizations to a stated percentage of the contributions of all member nations, pending at time the bill was put aside for consideration of other legislation.

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State Militia: H. R. 7289, to authorize the States to organize and maintain State defense forces, was passed with committee amendments. Pages 12313–12314

Trinity River: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President H. R. 4663, authorizing construction, operation, and maintenance of the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, under Federal reclamation laws. Pages 12313–12319

Private Bill: H. R. 7588, a private bill, was passed after adoption of Kilgore amendment (in the nature of a substitute). Page 12320

Confirmations: Nomination of David W. Kendall, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, was confirmed along with 3 other civilian nominations (including 1 district judge), and 125 postmasters.

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Nominations: Nomination of Thomas M. Healy, of Georgia, to be a member of the Railroad Retirement Board, was received, along with 3 judicial nominations, and 39 in the Navy. Pages 12339–12341

Adjournment: Adjourned at 11:15 p. m.

Committee Meetings

STATE MILITIA

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments H. R. 7289, to authorize the States to organize and maintain State defense forces, the nomination of Dudley C. Sharp, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, and 46 Army nominations.

Also, the committee approved a resolution commending Maj. Gen. Verne D. Mudge (retired, Army) for his services as a member of the professional staff of the committee for the past 9 years.

NOMINATIONS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the nomination of Harold Stassen to be Deputy Representative of the U. S. on the U. N. Disarmament Commission, Eric Allen Johnston to be Chairman of the International Development Advisory Board, and 48 routine nominations in the Foreign Service.

Committee also approved transmittal to the Senate of a report of its Subcommittee on the U. N. Charter.

Also, the committee announced the appointment of Carl M. Marcy to be chief of staff of the committee, vice Francis O. Wilcox.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 29 public bills, H. R. 7746–7774; 11 private bills, H. R. 7775–7785; and 6 resolutions, H. J. Res. 427–430 and H. Res. 331 and 332, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Supplemental report on H. R. 7125, extension of free mailing privileges for members of Armed Forces in Korea and combat zones (pt. II of H. Rept. 1131);

H. J. Res. 380, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell the steamship *Monterey,* amended (H. Rept. 1600);

H. Res. 331, to authorize the Committee on Ways and Means to conduct studies and investigations in the United States, its Territories, and possessions;

H. R. 4054, marketing facilities for perishable agricultural commodities (H. Rept. 1602);

H. R. 7718, authorizing the Capital Transit Co. under certain conditions to surrender its franchise, amended (H. Rept. 1603);

H. R. 7038, authorizing appropriations for a nuclear-propelled merchant ship, amended (H. Rept. 1604);

H. R. 2667, amending section 208 (b) of the Technical Changes Act of 1953 (H. Rept. 1605);

H. R. 3413, excise tax on installation charge on community television receiving antenna equipment, amended (H. Rept. 1606);

H. R. 6143, income-tax treatment of certain transfers of patent rights (H. Rept. 1607);

H. R. 6712, amending section 1237 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 relating to real property subdivided for sale (H. Rept. 1608);

H. R. 7634, tax on transportation of persons (H. Rept. 1609);

Conference report on H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development (H. Rept. 1610); and

Conference report on H. R. 6373, to amend the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals (H. Rept. 1611). Page 12487

Supplemental Appropriations: House adopted, by a voice vote, the conference report on H. R. 7278, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 1956, and sent the bill to the Senate. Amendments Nos. 2, 19, 20, 28, 29, 34, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 43, 48, 49, 50, 58, 59, 61, 64, 78, 80, 82, 83, 85, 86, 88, 89, 92, 95, 98, 117, 127, 128, 130, 131, 142, and 143 were in disagreement and on which the House voted to recede and concur therein. Amendments Nos. 3, 22, 23, 25, 27, 31, 33, 35, 56, 62, 75, 76, 84, 93, 104, 109, 116, and 123 were also in disagreement and on which the House voted to recede and concur with further amendments. Pages 12342–12360

Minimum Wage: By a voice vote the House adopted the conference report on S. 2168, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act to make the minimum wage $1 an hour effective March 1, 1956, and sent the bill to the White House. Pages 12360–12362

Private Bills: Adopted conference reports on H. R. 4249 and 5078, both private bills, and thus cleared them for the President. Page 12362

Private Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Private Calendar:

Cleared for the President: S. 38, 71, 85, 86, 91, 92, 100, 119, 135, 141, 167, 176, 181, 214, 223, 235, 238, 240, 254, 293, 326, 346, 352, 388, 394, 397, 430, 466, 470, 474, 476, 503, 518, 541, 606, 707, 843, 884, 1035, 1044, 1126, 1155, 1159, 1266, 1296, 1337, 1353, 1367, 1397, 1496, 1521, 1522, 1541, 1581, 2269, 2270, and 2575. Also concluded action on H. Res. 309.

Sent to the Senate without amendment: H. R. 929, 930, 1005, 1014, 1074, 1137, 1193, 1198, 1208, 1209, 1232, 1319, 1323, 1492, 1639, 1641, 1657, 1666, 1908, 1909, 1920, 1923, 2054, 2072, 2079, 2285, 2339, 2347, 2704, 2729, 2796, 2916, 3057, 3195, 3527, 3857, 3963, 4326, 4544, 4548, 4602, 4643, 4872, 5079, 5082, 5285, 5870, 5908, 5913, 6363, 6741, 7114, and 7197.

Sent to the Senate, amended: S. Con. Res. 42, S. 197, 198, 550, 664, 714, and 1014; H. R. 944, 1097, 1104, 1162, 1235, 1402, 1410, 1516, 2235, 2283, 2345, 2728, 2897, 2948, 3201, 3265, 3276, 3869, 3965, 4025, 4039, 4321, 4612, 4769, 5074, 5533, 5866, 5869, and 6452.

Objected to and recommitted: S. 1154, 1271, and 1272.

Passed over without prejudice: The balance of the calendar was passed over without prejudice. Pages 12362–12380, 12383

Private Bills: Pursuant to unanimous-consent requests the following private bills were called up and passed without amendment, thus clearing them for the White House: S. 191, 239, 1105, 1706, 1730, 1974, and 2312.

The following private bills were cleared for Presidential action by House concurrence in Senate amendments thereto: H. R. 1034, 1060, 1301, 1552, 1958, 2753, 2791, 3189, 3507, 3628, 3635, 4468, and 5546.

Concluded legislative action on H. Con. Res. 167 and 168, private resolutions, by agreeing to Senate amendments thereto.

Passed H. R. 1513, 2465, and 7588, private bills.

Agreed to a Senate amendment to H. R. 2065 with a further amendment and sent the private bill back to the Senate. Pages 12380–12383, 12460–12462, 12482–12483

Domestic Minerals Program: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 6373, amending the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Engle, Aspinall, Rogers of Texas, Saylor, and Young. Page 12383

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Montana irrigation: S. J. Res. 82 (passed in lieu of H. J. Res. 353), joint resolution to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to execute a certain contract with the Toston Irrigation District, Montana.

Florida land patents: S. 464 (passed in lieu of H. R. 6101), to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue patents for certain lands in Florida bordering upon Indian River.

North Dakota land conveyance: S. 535 (passed in lieu of H. R. 7284), to provide for the conveyance to the State of North Dakota, for use as a State historic site, of the land where Chief Sitting Bull was originally buried.

Utah Indian land exchange: S. 878 (passed in lieu of H. R. 7248), to amend the act extending the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah so as to authorize such State to exchange certain mineral lands for other lands mineral in character.

Commodity Exchange Act: S. 1051, to amend section 8a (4) of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended.

Soil conservation: S. 1167, to amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act.

National banks: S. 1187, to amend section 5221 of the Revised Statutes relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks.

Federal space leasing: S. 1210, to amend the Public Building Act of 1949 to provide a 5-year limitation on the period of leases of space for Federal agencies in the District of Columbia.

Land conveyance: S. 1340 (passed in lieu of H. R. 3675), to authorize the conveyance by quitclaim deed of certain land to the Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex.

California-Nevada water compact: S. 1391, granting the consent of Congress to the States of California and Nevada to negotiate and enter into a compact with respect to the distribution and use of the waters of the Truckee, Carson, and Walker Rivers, Lake Tahoe, and the tributaries of such rivers and lake in such States.

Nebraska judiciary: S. 1512 (passed in lieu of H. R. 5130), to amend title 28 of the United States Code so as to eliminate the separate divisions within the judicial district of Nebraska.

Connecticut toll bridges: S. 1577, to amend the act granting consent of Congress to the State of Connecticut, acting by and through an agency or commission thereof, to construct, maintain, and operate toll bridges across the Connecticut River.

Farm loans: S. 1758 (passed in lieu of H. R. 6914), to amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, as amended, to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans.

Reclamation: S. 1965 (passed in lieu of H. R. 5169), to repeal a particular contractual requirement with respect to the Arch Hurley Conservation District in New Mexico.

Indian lands: S. 2198 (passed in lieu of H. R. 7218), to extend the period of restrictions on lands belonging to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes in Oklahoma, and for other purposes.

Trade development: S. 2253, to reemphasize trade development as the primary purpose of title I of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954.

South Dakota land conveyance: S. 2277, an act authorizing the Administrator of General Services to convey certain land to the city of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., for park and recreational purposes, for an amount equal to the cost to the United States of acquiring such lands from the city.

Agriculture: S. 2297 (passed in lieu of H. R. 6845), to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 relative to national marketing quotas for tobacco.

Postal employees: S. 2403, to authorize the dual employment of custodial employees in post-office buildings operated by the General Services Administration, and for other purposes.

Rice acreage allotments: S. 2511 (passed in lieu of H. R. 7367), to amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, regarding national rice acreage allotments.

Rice quotas: S. 2573 (passed in lieu of H. R. 7302), to amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended.

Sent to the Senate without amendments:

Elections: H. Con. Res. 94, concurrent resolution favoring the waiver of State residence requirements in certain elections.

Reversionary right release: H. J. Res. 112, joint resolution to release reversionary right to improvements on a 3-acre tract in Orangeburg County, S. C.

Stanislaus National Forest: H. R. 374, to authorize the adjustment and clarification of ownership to certain lands within the Stanislaus National Forest, Tuolumne County, Calif., and for other purposes.

Mongolian labor: H. R. 1603, to terminate the prohibition against employment of Mongolian labor in the construction of reclamation projects.

Subsistence allowance repayment: H. R. 1761, to relieve certain veterans who relied on an erroneous interpretation of the law from liability to repay a portion of the subsistence allowances which they received under the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944.

Navy: H. R. 4229, to provide running mates for certain staff corps officers in the naval service, and for other purposes.

Castle Pinckney Monument: H. R. 4391, to abolish the Castle Pinckney National Monument, in the State of South Carolina and for other purposes.

Mail contracts: H. R. 4569, to provide for renewal of and adjustment of compensation under contracts for carrying mail on water routes.

California Harbor dredging: H. R. 4734, to amend the provision of the River and Harbor Act of 1954 which authorizes the Secretary of the Army to reimburse local interests for work done on a dredging project at Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors, Calif., during a period ending on July 1, 1953, by extending that period to November 7, 1953.

Corregidor-Bataan Commission: H. R. 5469, to extend the authority of the Corregidor Bataan Memorial Commission, and for other purposes.

Passport fees: H. R. 5844, to increase the fee for executing an application for a passport from $1 to $3.

War housing sales: H. R. 6198, to provide for the sale of certain war housing projects to the Housing Authority of Beaver County, Pa., for use in providing rental housing for persons of limited income.

Personal property sale: H. R. 6199, to amend the act of October 14, 1940, to authorize the sale of personal property held in connection with housing under such act.

Bankruptcy: H. R. 6247, to amend subdivision a of section 66—unclaimed moneys—of the Bankruptcy Act, as amended, and to repeal subdivision b of section 66 of the Bankruptcy Act, as amended.

War housing transfer: H. R. 6298, to amend section 601 (g) of the act entitled "An act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes," approved October 14, 1940, as amended, to permit transfer of war housing projects to the city of Moses Lake, Wash., and to other communities similarly situated.

Hawaii: H. R. 6461, to amend section 72 (i) of the Hawaiian Organic Act.

Hawaii: H. R. 6463, to ratify and confirm section 4539, Revised Law of Hawaii, 1945, section I (b), act 12, Sessions Laws of Hawaii, 1951, and the sale of public lands consummate pursuant to the terms of said statutes.

Rural carriers relief: H. R. 6622, for the relief of certain rural carriers.

New Mexico land transfer: H. R. 6625, to provide for the transfer of title to certain land and the improvements thereon to the Pueblo of San Lorenzo (Pueblo of Picuris), in New Mexico, and for other purposes.

Hawaii: H. R. 6807, to authorize the amendment of certain patents of Government lands containing restrictions as to use of such lands in the Territory of Hawaii.

Hawaii: H. R. 6824, to authorize the amendment of the restrictive covenant on land patent No. 10410, issued to Keoshi Matsunaga, his heirs and assigns, on July 20, 1936, and covering lot 48 of Ponahawai house lots, situated in the county of Hawaii, T. H.

Wisconsin land transfer: H. R. 6857, to authorize the Administrator of the General Services Administration to convey certain land to the city of Milwaukee, Wis.

Lake Sidney Lanier: H. R. 6961, to designate the lake created by Buford Dam in the State of Georgia as "Lake Sidney Lanier."

Oil-gas-mineral rights conveyance: H. R. 7097, to provide for the reconveyance of oil and gas and mineral interests in a portion of the lands acquired for the Demopolis lock and dam project to the former owners thereof.

Military mileage payments: H. R. 7121, to validate payments of mileage made to U. S. Army and Air Force personnel pursuant to permanent change-of-station orders authorizing travel by commercial aircraft.

Military frank: H. R. 7125, to extend to June 30, 1956, free mailing privileges granted to members of the U. S. Armed Forces.

Florida land conveyance: H. R. 7156, to provide for the conveyance of certain land of the United States to the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, Fla.

Hawaii: H. R. 7186, to provide for the review and determination of claims for the return of lands, in the Territory of Hawaii, conveyed to the Government during World War II by organizations composed of persons of Japanese ancestry.

Water conservation: H. R. 7236, to amend section 8 (b) of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act with respect to water conservation practices.

Sent to the Senate, amended:

Retirement: S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service.

Agricultural commodities inspection: S. 1757, to provide penalties for violation of U. S. agricultural standards or services.

Agricultural experiment stations: S. 1759, to consolidate the Hatch Act of 1887 and laws supplementary thereto relating to the appropriation of Federal funds for the support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

Group life insurance: S. 1792, to amend the Federal Employee Group Life Insurance Act of 1954, authorizing the assumption of the insurance obligations of any nonprofit association of Federal employees with its members.

Career employees: S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointment.

Wyoming Indians: S. 2087 (passed in lieu of H. R. 6945), to amend the act of May 19, 1947 (ch. 80, 61 Stat. 102), as amended, so as to permit per capita payments to the individual members of the Shoshone Tribe and the Arapahoe Tribe of the Wind River Reservation in Wyoming, to be made quarterly.

Agricultural extension: S. 2098 to authorize appropriations for agricultural Extension Service to meet special needs.

The Citadel: H. J. Res. 261, authorizing the Secretary of the Army to make such donations as may be available to The Citadel, Charleston, S. C.

Townsites: H. R. 426, to provide for the establishment of townsites and for other purposes.

California land conveyance: H. R. 585, to authorize the conveyance to Lake County, Calif., of the Lower Lake Rancheria.

Forest Service: H. R. 1855, to amend the act approved April 24, 1950, entitled "An act to facilitate and simplify the work of the Forest Service, and for other purposes."

Inventive awards: H. R. 2383, to authorize the establishment of an Inventive Contributions Awards Board within the Department of Defense.

Virginia land exchanges: H. R. 5280, to authorize land exchanges for purposes of Colonial National Historical Park, in the State of Virginia, and for other purposes.

Perishable commodities: H. R. 5337, to amend the provisions of the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act, 1930, relating to practices in the marketing of perishable agricultural commodities.

Military service credit: H. R. 5516, to amend section 306 of the Army and Air Force Vitalization and Retirement Equalization Act of 1948 to provide that service as an Army field clerk or as a field clerk, Quartermaster Corps, shall be counted for purposes of retirement under title III of that act.

Indian Claims Commission: H. R. 5566, to terminate the existence of the Indian Claims Commission.

Land conveyance: H. R. 5889, to provide for the conveyance of certain lands of the United States to the town of Savannah Beach, Tybee Island, Ga.

Hawaii: H. R. 6808, to amend section 73 (1) of the Hawaiian Organic Act.

Spain: H. R. 6888, to amend the act of September 3, 1954, and to facilitate the entry of skilled specialists chargeable to the quota for Spain.

Coal lands entry: H. R. 6994, to provide for entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the United States classified as or known to be valuable for coal, and for other purposes.

Educational assistance: H. R. 7245, to amend Public Laws 815 and 874, 81st Cong., which provide for assistance to local educational agencies in areas affected by Federal activities.

Florida land conveyance: H. R. 7471, to provide for the conveyance of certain lands of the United States to the Board of Commissioners of St. Johns County, Fla.

Passed over without prejudice:

Forest lands: S. 72, to provide that certain lands acquired by the United States shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands.

United Nations membership: H. Con. Res. 186, expressing the sense of the Congress that certain countries be admitted to the United Nations.

Alaska: H. R. 604, to provide port of entry and related facilities on the Alaska Highway at the Alaska-Canadian border in the Territory of Alaska, and for other purposes.

Disabled veterans: H. R. 1614, to provide an increased statutory rate of compensation for veterans suffering the loss of the use of an eye in combination with the loss, or loss of use, of a limb.

Veterans' benefits, checks: H. R. 1821, to provide that checks for benefits provided by laws administered by the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs may be forwarded to the addressee in certain cases.

South Carolina property restrictions: H. R. 2430, to release certain restrictions on certain real property heretofore granted to the city of Charleston, S. C., by the United States of America.

Active duty credit: H. R. 5055, to provide that service of cadets and midshipmen at the service Academies during specified periods shall be considered active military or naval wartime service for the purposes of laws administered by the Veterans' Administration.

UNESCO: H. R. 5894, to amend the act providing for membership and participation by the United States in the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization to provide for the acceptance of gifts, and for other purposes.

Property disposition: H. R. 6815, to provide for the orderly disposition of property acquired under title III of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, and for other purposes.

Tobacco allotments: H. R. 6846, to amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments.

Objected to:

Virgin Islands: S. 1166, regarding importation of livestock and poultry into the Virgin Islands.

Political activities: H. R. 3084, to amend certain provisions of the laws relating to the prevention of political activities to make them inapplicable to State officers and employees.

New York historic sites: H. R. 3120, to promote cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of the Nation's important historic properties in the New York City area, and for other purposes.

Maryland-Delaware boundary: H. R. 4093, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Coast and Geodetic Survey, to assist the States of Maryland and Delaware to reestablish their common boundary.

Bankruptcy: H. R. 5047, to increase the compensation of trustees in bankruptcy.

Military service certificate: H. R. 6274, to provide that no fee shall be charged a veteran for furnishing him a copy of his certificate of service.

Tobacco allotments: H. R. 6847, to amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments.

Military: H. R. 7049, to revise and codify titles 10 and 32 of the U. S. Code entitled "Armed Forces" and "National Guard," respectively.

War housing conveyance: H. R. 7073, to authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Va.

CCC commodities sale: H. R. 7252, to permit sale of Commodity Credit Corporation stock of basic and storable nonbasic agricultural commodities without restrictions where similar commodities are exported in raw or processed form.

Coast Guard: H. R. 7379, to amend title 14, U. S. Code, so as to provide for compensatory absence of Coast Guard military personnel serving at isolated aids to navigation.

Judicial procedure: H. R. 7500, to establish a Commission and Advisory Committee on International Rules of Judicial Procedure.

Stricken from calendar:

Military Academy appointments: H. R. 5269, to increase the number of cadets that the President may personally select for appointment to the U. S. Military Academy and the U. S. Air Force Academy.

Pages 12383–12417

Atomic Energy Community Act: Passed and cleared for the President, S. 2630, the Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955. Pages 12417–12421

Defense Production Act: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 7470, to amend and extend the Defense Production Act to June 30, 1956. This passage was later vacated and S. 2391, a similar bill, was amended to contain the House-passed provisions, after which it was passed. The House insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed as conferees Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Rains, Wolcott, Gamble, and Talle.

Rejected an amendment to delete provisions authorizing employment of $1-per-year employees.

Also rejected several amendments that sought to limit positions in which $1-per-year employees may be employed. Pages 12423–12433

Sugar: Passed by a division vote of 194 yeas to 44 nays, H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948, as amended, to December 31, 1960. Adopted the committee substitute amendment that supplied new text

and adopted amendments thereto to delete provisions affecting quotas of countries that are not parties to or are not bound by the International Sugar Agreement for the Regulation of the Production and Marketing of Sugar, and provisions for mandatory support at 90 percent of parity for sugar-beet and sugarcane growers.

Pages 12433–12460

Ways and Means: Adopted H. Res. 331, to authorize the Committee on Ways and Means to conduct studies and investigations in the United States, its Territories, and possessions. Page 12433

Cleared for the President: The following bills were cleared for Presidential action by House agreement to Senate amendments thereto:

Alabama land transfer: H. R. 46, authorizes the conveyance to city of Anniston, Ala., certain real property within Fort McClellan, to be used as a cemetery.

Railroad retirement: H. R. 4744, to remove the limitation now placed upon the amount of annuity payable to spouses and individuals under the Railroad Retirement Act and makes the amount equal to the maximum amount which could be paid to such person under section 202 (b) of the Social Security Act.

Radio and television: H. R. 7024, to remove the manufacturers excise tax from sales of certain component parts and on certain radio and television apparatus.

Pages 12462, 12463, 12482

Unanimous-Consent Passages: Pursuant to unanimous-consent requests the following bills were called up and passed:

Kaw Indians: S. 2197, authorizing equal distribution to members of Kaw Tribe of certain moneys to the credit of the tribe, in the U. S. Treasury (cleared for White House);

Steamship sales: Adopted S. J. Res. 91 and 92 authorizing the Secretary of Commerce to sell steamships *LaGuardia* and *Monterey,* respectively (cleared for White House);

Coast Guard compensatory leave: S. 2566, to provide for compensatory absence of Coast Guard military personnel serving at isolated aids to navigation (cleared for White House);

Farm settlers: S. 1621, authorizing adjustment of certain obligations of farm settlers, amended (returned to Senate);

Norfolk war housing: S. 2351, to authorize the conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Va. (cleared for White House);

Forest lands: S. 72, providing that certain lands acquired by the United States shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands (cleared for White House); and

Alexander Hamilton Commission: S. 1395, celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Alexander Hamilton (cleared for White House).

Pages 12461–12464, 12478, 12483

Federal Personnel Bonds: Conference report on H. R. 4778, bonding of civilian and military personnel of the Federal Government, was adopted thus clearing the bill for the President. Pages 12464–12466

Suspension Passages: Suspended the rules and passed the following bills:

Veterans' training: S. 2081, providing that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for 12 months after they have begun their training (cleared for White House);

Civil service: H. R. 3255, to provide in certain cases that a person holding a position subject to the Classification Act of 1949 who is placed in a lower grade shall not receive less pay as a result thereof, with a committee amendment (sent to the Senate);

Texas City claims: S. 1077, settlement of claims for damages resulting from disaster at Texas City, Tex., in 1949, with an amendment; insisted on the amendment; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Celler, Lane, Forrester, Miller of New York, and Hyde (sent to conference);

Federal executives pay: H. R. 7619, to adjust the rates of compensation of the heads of the executive departments and of certain other officials of the Federal Government (sent to Senate);

St. Louis flood control: S. 56 (in lieu of H. R. 7092) authorizing the construction of certain public works on the Mississippi River for protection of St. Louis, Mo. (cleared for White House);

Taxes: The following bills from the Committee on Ways and Means were called up and passed with committee amendments, pursuant to unanimous-consent requests:

Pension trust deductions: H. R. 4582, carryover of unused pension trust deductions in certain cases;

Foreign travel: H. R. 5265, to exempt certain additional foreign travel from the tax on the transportation of persons;

Retirement income tax credit: H. R. 7036, amending section 37 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 respecting retirement income tax credit;

Charitable contributions: H. R. 7094, relating to unlimited deduction for charitable contributions; and

Railroad reorganizations: H. R. 7247, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 with respect to the treatment of gain in certain railroad reorganizations.

Pages 12467–12468, 12478–12482

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:38 p. m.

Committee Meetings

TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 2667, excluding from gross estate tax certain life estates;

H. R. 3413, to repeal excise tax on telephonic-equipment installation charges;

H. R. 6103, relating to emergency tax relief treatment for livestock injured by drought;

H. R. 6143, relating to the sale of patent rights;

H. R. 6599, to exempt from tax on transportation of property, amounts paid for ferry service;

H. R. 6712, relating to subdivided real property;

H. R. 7160, relating to the abnormality release cases arising under World War II, Excise Profits Tax Act; and

H. R. 7634, amended, exempting from tax on transportation travel where charge does not exceed 60 cents.

(H. R. 6103, 6599, and 7160 were not unanimously approved, and will be included in the "bobtail" bill which is being prepared by the committee.)

Monday, August 1, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bill increasing civil service annuities, cleared numerous measures for President, and recommitted to conference bill on defense production.

House cleared for President bills on CCC borrowing power, international finance participation, and passed miscellaneous bills.

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12533–12547

Bills Introduced: 16 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2732–S. 2747. **Pages 12533, 12644**

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 7244, to provide for issuance of medals in commemoration of 120th anniversary of signing of Texas declaration of independence (no written report).

H. R. 3908, to provide for the regulation of fares for the transportation of schoolchildren in the D. C. (S. Rept. 1282);

H. R. 7746, to provide tax relief to a charitable foundation and the contributors thereto (S. Rept. 1283);

H. R. 4734, regarding reimbursement to local interests for work done on a dredging project at Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors, Calif. (S. Rept. 1284);

H. R. 6857, conveyance of certain land to the city of Milwaukee, Wis. (S. Rept. 1285);

H. R. 929, 1235, 1319, 1641, 1909, 2079, 2235, 2339, 2704, 2897, 2916, 3195, 4544, 4643, 5074, 5082, 5908, 5913, 6741, private bills (S. Repts. 1286–1304, respectively).

Pages 12533, 12592–12593, 12644

Bills Referred: 121 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. **Pages 12531–12532**

President's Message: Message from President transmitting certain recommendations for amendments to Public Law 103, construction of distribution systems on authorized reclamation projects—referred to Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. **Pages 12528–12529**

Housing Projects: H. R. 6198, to provide for the sale of certain war-housing projects to the Housing Authority of Beaver County, Pa., for use in providing rental housing for persons of limited income, was passed with several clarifying amendments by Senator Sparkman. **Pages 12591–12592**

Replacement of Conferees: Senator Ives was appointed in lieu of Senator Bricker as a conferee on S. 2391, to amend and extend the Defense Production Act to June 30, 1956; Senator Watkins was appointed in lieu of Senator Welker as conferee on S. 1077, settlement of claims for damages resulting from disaster at Texas City, Tex., in 1949. **Pages 12534, 12593**

Bills Cleared for President: The following bills were cleared for the President by virtue of actions indicated below:

By concurrence in House amendments:

S. 1849, to provide for the grant of career-conditional and career appointments in the competitive civil service to indefinite employees who previously qualified for competitive appointment;

S. 2237, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department;

S. 1792, to amend the Federal Employee Group Life Insurance Act of 1954;

S. 1621, authorizing adjustment of certain obligations of farm settlers;

S. 2098, to provide appropriations for Agricultural Extension Service to meet special needs;

S. 1757, to provide penalties for violation of U. S. agricultural standards or services;

S. 1759, relating to appropriation of Federal funds for support of agricultural experiment stations in the States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico;

S. 2087, to permit per capita payments to members of Shoshone and Arapaho Tribes in Wyoming;

By adoption of conference report following similar action by House:

H. R. 6373, to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals;

H. R. 6382, to amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949.

By passage of House-passed bills without amendment:

H. R. 6199, to amend act of October 14, 1940, to authorize the sale of personal property held in connection with housing under such act;

H. R. 3908, to provide for the regulation of fares for the transportation of schoolchildren in the D. C.

Pages 12576–12577, 12591–12593, 12595, 12606–12608, 12620

Conference Reports Adopted: Senate adopted conference reports on the following bills:

S. 2126 the Housing Act of 1955;

S. 1077, settlement of claims for damages resulting from disaster at Texas City, Tex., in 1949;

S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service;

H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions.

Pages 12600–12605, 12607

Sugar: Objection was made to the second reading of H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948, when it was taken from the desk for consideration, and the bill will lie over for 1 day. Pages 12570–12571

Polio Vaccine: Senate disagreed to House amendments to S. 2501, to amend the PHS Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis, agreed to conference requested by House, and appointed as conferees Senators Hill, Lehman, McNamara, Smith (New Jersey), and Ives. Pages 12580–12581

Armed Services Voting: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise, rejecting by 22 yeas to 56 nays, Morse motion to recommit the bill with instructions to the committee on conference.

Pages 12593, 12595–12599

Defense Production: Senate debated conference report on S. 2391, to amend and extend the Defense Production Act to June 30, 1956, and adopted, by 36 yeas to 34 nays, Capehart motion to recommit the bill to the committee on conference with instructions to eliminate certain language respecting employment of persons without compensation. Pages 12608–12620

Civil-Service Annuities: Senate amended S. 2402, to increase the annuity benefits of retired Federal employees, by adopting committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended by Clements amendment respecting annuities of Members of Congress, and then passed H. R. 7618, a similar bill, after amending it by substituting for its language the language of S. 2402, as amended.

S. 2402 was indefinitely postponed.

Pages 12547, 12595, 12606, 12620–12622

Texas Reservoir Projects: H. R. 7195, reconveyance of lands in certain reservoir projects in Texas to former owners of such lands, was made Senate's unfinished business. Page 12622

Confirmations: The nomination of Harold E. Stassen, of Pennsylvania, to be U. S. deputy representative on United Nations Disarmament Commission, was confirmed, along with those of Eric A. Johnston, of Washington, to be chairman of International Development Advisory Board, Dudley C. Sharp, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, 48 Diplomatic and Foreign Service nominations, 1 U. S. attorney, 45 Army, and 20 postmasters. Pages 12645–12646

Nominations: 1 judicial nomination and 25 Navy nominations were received. Page 12645

Adjournment: Adjourned at 11:30 p. m.

Committee Meetings

SUGAR

Committee on Finance: Committee, in executive session, received the views of Senator Ellender, Under Secretary of Agriculture True D. Morse, and Assistant Secretary of State Henry F. Holland on pending sugar legislation. The committee ordered favorably reported with amendments S. 1635, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948, after striking all after the enacting clause and substituting the provisions of H. R. 7030, with the following changes: The formula for future growth to be 55 percent for domestic and 45 percent for foreign; the foreign quota to be divided on basis of 60 percent to Cuba and 40 percent to be divided among full-duty countries proportionately on basis of their sales of sugar in U. S. market during last 4 years; benchmark to be 8,300,000 tons; and a 6-year extension in lieu of 4 years.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on the Dixon-Yates power contract, hearing testimony from Edgar H. Dixon, president, Middle South Utilities, Inc., and of the Mississippi Valley Generating Co.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee held a further hearing on the nomination of Warren E. Burger to be U. S. circuit judge for the D. C. Hearings were recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 35 public bills, H. R. 7786–7820; 16 private bills, H. R. 7821–7836; and 5 resolutions, H. J. Res. 431–434, and H. Res. 333, were introduced.

Pages 1730, 12746–12748

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. Res. 302, to provide funds for necessary expenses of the Committee on Ways and Means (H. Rept. 1612);

H. Res. 305, to provide $75,000 for expenses of study and investigation by the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service as authorized by H. Res. 304 (84th Cong.) (H. Rept. 1613);

H. Res. 299, providing $35,000 for expenses of study and investigation by Select Committee on Small Business as authorized by H. Res. 114 (84th Cong.) (H. Rept. 1614);

S. Con. Res. 20, authorizing the printing of additional copies of S. Doc. 13 (84th Cong.) entitled "Our Capitol" (H. Rept. 1615);

H. Res. 307, authorizing the printing of the report of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on the Food and Drug Administration as a House document (H. Rept. 1616);

S. J. Res. 73, to establish a commission to formulate plans for a memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt (H. Rept. 1617);

H. R. 4090, to require installation of an automatic radiotelegraph call selector on cargo ships carrying less than two radio operators (H. Rept. 1618);

Conference report on H. R. 191, to regulate the election of delegates representing the District of Columbia to national political conventions (H. Rept. 1619);

H. J. Res. 434, to provide appropriations for the legislative branch for the fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1620); and

H. Res. 333, providing for consideration of, and 1 hour of debate on, and the limiting of amendments to, H. R. 7718, to authorize the Capital Transit Co., under certain conditions, to surrender its franchise (H. Rept. 1621).

Page 12746

Conference Reports Adopted: Conference reports on the following bills were called up, considered, and adopted:

Mineral resources: H. R. 100, to permit the mining, development, and utilization of the mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development (cleared for President); and

Domestic minerals program: H. R. 6373, amending the Domestic Minerals Program Extension Act of 1953 in order to extend the programs to encourage the discovery, development, and production of certain domestic minerals (sent to Senate).

Pages 12647–12648

Administrative Resolutions: Considered and adopted the following administrative resolutions from the Committee on House Administration:

Ways and Means expenses: H. Res. 302, to provide funds for expenses of Committee on Ways and Means;

Investigation and study expenses: H. Res. 305, to provide funds for studies and investigations of the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service authorized by H. Res. 304 (84th Cong.);

Small Business: H. Res. 299, providing $35,000 for expenses of the Select Committee on Small Business;

Investigation and study expenses: H. Res. 332, to provide funds for studies and investigations of the Committee on Ways and Means authorized by H. Res. 331 (84th Cong.);

Our Capitol: S. Con. Res. 20, authorizing the printing of Senate Document 13 entitled "Our Capitol";

Food and drugs: H. Res. 307, authorizing printing of report of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Food and Drug Administration as a House Document; and

Roosevelt Commission: S. J. Res. 73, to establish a commission to formulate plans for a memorial to Franklin Delano Roosevelt (cleared for President).

Pages 12651–12655

Suspension Passages: Suspended the rules and passed the following bills:

CCC borrowing power: S. 2604, to increase the borrowing power of the Commodity Credit Corporation to $12 billion (cleared for President);

Internal Finance Corporation: S. 1894, to provide for the participation of the U. S. in the International Finance Corporation (cleared for President);

National bank loans: S. 1189, to permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans, 9-month construction loans, and 18-month commercial construction loans (returned to Senate);

Great Lakes: H. R. 2552, authorizing modification of project for Great Lakes connecting channels above Lake Erie (with amendment and sent to Senate);

Mississippi Gulf outlet: H. R. 6309, to authorize construction of the Mississippi River-gulf outlet (sent to Senate);

Polio vaccine: S. 2501, to amend the PHS Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers in vaccination against poliomyelitis (with an amendment; insisted on amendment; requested conference with Senate; and appointed conferees Representatives Priest, Carlyle, Roberts, Wolverton, and Heselton (sent to conference);

State Department: S. 2237, to strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department (with amendment and returned to Senate); and

Foreign Service annuities: S. 1287, to make certain increases in the annuities of annuitants under Foreign

Service retirement and disability systems (with amendment and returned to Senate). Pages 12656–12694

D. C. Transit Co.: By a vote of 215 yeas to 150 nays, S. 2576, repealing the franchise of Capital Transit Co., operating in the District of Columbia, failed to pass under a motion to suspend the rules (a suspension passage requires a two-thirds majority). Pages 12694–12701

Civil Service Retirement: Insisted on its amendment to S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service; agreed to a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Davis of Georgia, and Rees of Kansas. Page 12701

Unanimous-Consent Passages: Pursuant to unanimous-consent requests the following bills were considered and passed:

Charitable foundation: H. R. 7746, to provide tax relief to a charitable foundation and the contributors thereto (sent to Senate);

Benjamin Franklin medal: S. 463, authorizing issuance of commemorative medals in observance of 250th anniversary of birth of Benjamin Franklin (cleared for President);

Grand Teton Park: S. 1917, authorizing construction within Grand Teton National Park of an alternate route to U. S. Highway 89 (cleared for President);

Glendo Dam: S. 2339, to include town of Glendo, Wyo., in a sewerage system to be installed in connection with construction of Glendo Dam and Reservoir, with amendments, S. Rept. 1240 (cleared for President);

Arizona land: S. 2039, authorize lease of unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Ariz. (with amendment and returned to Senate);

New Mexico land: S. 1906, to authorize the Pueblos of San Lorenzo and Pajoaque in New Mexico to sell certain lands to the Navaho Tribe (cleared for President);

Devils' Tower: S. 2049, to recognize the 50th anniversary of Devils' Tower National Monument (cleared for President);

N. Y. historic properties: S. 732, to promote cooperation in the rehabilitation and preservation of the Nation's important historic properties in the New York City area (cleared for President);

Amite River: S. 1899, to authorize the improvement of the Amite River and its tributaries, in Louisiana (cleared for President);

Arkansas River: S. 730, compact between Kansas and Oklahoma for waters of Arkansas River (cleared for President);

Private bills: S. 393, 1415, 1681, and 2088 (cleared for President);

Connecticut Waterway: S. 2514, declaring a portion of the waterway of West Haven and New Haven, Conn., known as West River, a nonnavigable stream (cleared for President);

Water chestnut infestation: H. R. 6686, providing for preliminary examination and survey by the Secretary of the Army for the purpose of controlling water chestnut infestation in the upper Chesapeake Bay tributaries (sent to Senate);

South Carolina property restrictions: H. R. 2430, to release certain restrictions on certain real property heretofore granted to the city of Charleston, S. C. (with amendment and sent to Senate);

Bankruptcy: H. R. 5047, to increase the compensation of trustees in bankruptcy (with amendment and sent to Senate);

Military: H. R. 7049, to revise and codify titles 10 and 32 of the U. S. Code, entitled "Armed Forces" and "National Guard," respectively (with amendment and sent to Senate);

Private bill: S. 204, a private bill (cleared for President);

Tobacco allotments: S. 2295, to amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments (cleared for President);

Private bill: S. 125, a private bill (cleared for President); and

Maryland and Delaware boundary: S. 987, to authorize the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Coast and Geodetic Survey, to assist the States of Maryland and Delaware to reestablish their common boundary (cleared for President).

Pages 12655–12656, 12701–12705, 12710, 12717–12720, 12730

Taxes: Considered and passed the following bills from the Committee on Ways and Means:

Technical changes: H. R. 2667, excluding from gross estate tax certain life estates;

Television excise tax: H. R. 3413, to repeal excise tax on telephonic equipment installation charges (with amendment);

Patent rights: H. R. 6143, relating to the sale of patent rights; and

Real property subdivision: H. R. 6712, to amend section 1237 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, relating to subdivided real property.

Transportation tax: H. R. 7634, exempting from tax on transportation travel where charge does not exceed sixty-one cents. Pages 12707–12709

Cleared for President: Cleared the following bills for Presidential action by agreeing to Senate amendments thereto:

Presidential libraries: H. J. Res. 330, to provide for the acceptance and maintenance of Presidential libraries;

Texas land conveyance: H. R. 6634, to provide for the conveyance of certain land within the Grapevine Dam and Reservoir project to the city of Grapevine, Tex., for sewage-disposal purposes;

Coal lands entry: H. R. 6994, to provide for entry and location, on discovery of a valuable source material, upon public lands of the United States, classified as or known to be valuable for coal;

Residence sales: H. R. 257, relating to income tax of members of the Armed Forces selling their residences;

Tax: H. R. 6263, to amend the Internal Revenue Code regarding arbitrage operations in securities;

Railroad corporation: H. R. 6887, to amend section 108 (b) of the Internal Revenue Code relative to income of a railroad from discharge of indebtedness;

State militia: H. R. 7289, to authorize the States to organize and maintain State defense forces;

Farm credit: H. R. 5168, to provide for the retirement of the Government capital in certain institutions operating under the supervision of the Farm Credit Administration, and to increase borrower participation in the management and control of the Federal farm credit system;

Private bills: H. R. 4763, 3024, and 1393, private bills; and

War housing sale: H. R. 6198, to provide for the sale of certain war housing projects to the Housing Authority of Beaver County, Pa., for use in providing rental housing for persons of limited income.

Pages 12649–12651, 12706–12710, 12720, 12730, 12736

President's Message—Irrigation: Received a message from the President announcing his signature to H. R. 103, to provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies. The message also recommended an amendment to the act to require transfer to the United States of the titles to the systems and rights-of-way held or acquired by the borrowers prior to consummation of any loan. The message was referred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs and ordered printed as a House document (H. Doc. 223). Page 12724

D. C. Auditorium: Pursuant to provisions of Public Law 128 (84th Cong.) the Speaker appointed to membership on the D. C. Auditorium Commission the following: Representatives Morrison, Klein, Thompson of New Jersey, Kearns, and Broyhill; and Messrs. Barnee Breeskin, of Washington, D. C., and Robert Dowling, of New York City. Page 12725

Legislative Appropriations: Adopted H. J. Res. 434, to provide appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1956. This resolution continues through June 30, 1956, the provisions of title I of public law 123 (84th Cong.) insofar as they apply to the legislative branch. Page 12725

Flammable Fabrics: By a division vote of 46 yeas to 108 nays the House rejected H. Res. 312, which would have made in order the consideration of H. R. 5222, amending the Flammable Fabrics Act to exempt from its application scarves which do not present an unusual hazard. Pages 12725–12730

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:12 p. m.

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Committee Meetings

TAX AMORTIZATION

Committee on Government Operations: The Mollohan Subcommittee on Legal and Monetary Affairs resumed hearings today in connection with its study of the tax amortization program. Received testimony regarding rapid tax amortization as it affects railroads from James P. Newell, senior vice president in charge of operations, Pennsylvania Railroad. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

STATE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on Government Operations: The Hardy Subcommittee on International Operations resumed hearings relative to its study of overseas personnel administration in the State Department. Officials of the State Department who testified today were George F. Wilson, Assistant Controller for Personnel, and Edward B. Wilber, Deputy Controller for Budget and Finance. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning.

Joint Committee Meetings

HOUSING ACT

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2126, Housing Act of 1955.

As approved by the conferees, the bill would: (1) Extend FHA title I program to September 30, 1956, (2) authorize a new program of FHA insurance on trailer parts, (3) increase mortgage ceilings under FHA rental programs from $5 million to $12.5 million, (4) substitute "estimated replacement cost" for "estimated value" as basis for FHA insurance under cooperative housing and urban renewal programs, (5) increase FHA authority by $4 billion, (6) authorize additional $500 million for slum clearance and urban renewal programs, (7) authorize 45,000 public housing units, available until July 30, 1956, (8) repeal restrictions on public housing units imposed by 1954 act, (9) grant independence to Home Loan Bank Board, (10) authorize new program for public facilities loans to small communities, (11) revise and extend present loan program to educational institutions for needed housing facilities, (12) authorize a new military housing program to expire on September 30, 1956, and provide FHA mortgage insurance not to exceed $1.363 billion, and (13) extend present farm housing program under title V of the Housing Act of 1949.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the difference between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2391, to amend and extend the Defense Production Act to June 30, 1956.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 5, 1955, through July 31, 1955.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through July 31, 1955

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	103	110	..
Time in session	533 hrs., 11′	456 hrs., 58′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	5,944	4,868	10,812
Appendix	..	..	5,642
Public bills enacted into law	81	113	194
Private bills enacted into law	68	174	242
Bills in conference	3	9	12
Bills through conference	8	35	43
Measures passed, total	1,283	1,535	..
Senate bills	572	333	..
House bills	535	953	..
Senate joint resolutions	20	15	..
House joint resolutions	20	22	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	23	15	..
House concurrent resolutions	20	24	..
Simple resolutions	93	173	266
Measures reported, total	*1,350	*1,518	..
Senate bills	608	215	..
House bills	545	1,098	..
Senate joint resolutions	26	6	..
House joint resolutions	15	32	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	26	8	..
House concurrent resolutions	20	17	..
Simple resolutions	130	142	272
Special reports	27	46	..
Conference reports	..	47	..
Reported measures not acted on	**30	**119	..
Measures introduced, total	3,033	8,742	11,775
Bills	2,731	7,785	5,516
Joint resolutions	102	430	532
Concurrent resolutions	56	195	251
Simple resolutions	144	332	476
Quorum calls	59	71	130
Yea-and-nay votes	85	70	155
Bills vetoed	2	1	3
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 1,281 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,611 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through July 31, 1955

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,490, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,111
Withdrawn	12
Rejected	2
Unconfirmed	365
Army nominations, totaling 5,805, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,759
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	46
Air Force nominations, totaling 3,910, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,594
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	316
Navy nominations, totaling 16,471, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	16,432
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	39
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 11,256, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	11,256
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,728, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,680
Withdrawn	3
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	45

Summary

Total nominations received	40,660
Total withdrawn	15
Total rejected	2
Total unconfirmed	811
Total confirmed	39,832

NOTE.—The appropriations table that normally follows this page in the issue of the first of each month will be found on p. D616.

Tuesday, August 2, 1955

HIGHLIGHTS

First session of Eighty-fourth Congress adjourned sine die.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 12827–12837

Bills Introduced: 12 bills and 8 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2748–S. 2759; S. J. Res. 103–S. J. Res. 104; S. Con. Res. 57; S. Res. 145–S. Res. 149.

Pages 12829, 12858–12859, 12888–12889, 12894–12895

Bill Reported: Report was made as follows: Report of Committee on Foreign Relations on Review of U. N. Charter (S. Rept. 1305). Page 12827

Bills Referred: 14 House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Pages 12826, 12839, 12887, 12904

Confirmations: By 49 yeas to 29 nays, Senate confirmed the nomination of Harold C. Patterson, of Virginia, to be a member of the SEC.

The nomination of Newell Brown, of New Hampshire, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Labor Department, was confirmed by voice vote.

One postmaster nomination was rejected.

Pages 12797–12825

Bills Cleared for President: The following bills were cleared for the President by virtue of actions indicated below:

By concurrence in House amendments:

National banks: S. 1189, to permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans, 9-month construction loans, and 18-month commercial construction loans;

Colorado River Indians: S. 2039, to authorize lease of unassigned lands on the Colorado River Indian Reservation, Ariz.;

Small business: S. 2127, extending the Small Business Administration for 2 years; and

Private bills: S. 197, 198, 550, 664, 714, 1014, 1033, H. R. 2065.

By adoption of conference report following similar action by House:

D. C. transit strike: S. 2576, repealing the franchise of Capital Transit Co. operating in D. C.

Pages 12838, 12883, 12887–12888, 12904–12905

Conference Reports Adopted: Senate adopted conference reports on the following bills:

Defense production: S. 2391, to amend and extend the Defense Production Act to June 30, 1956;

Polio vaccine: S. 2501, to amend the PHS Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis;

Retirement annuities: H. R. 7618, to increase the annuity benefits of retired Federal employees; and

Private bills: H. R. 1003, 2907.

Pages 12837, 12857–12858, 12883, 12886

Private Bills: Senate sent to the House S. 1584 and S. 1352, private bills, when O'Mahoney motions for reconsideration of passage thereof on July 19 were, on division vote, rejected. Pages 12839–12842

Sugar: Following the second reading of H. R. 7030, to amend and extend the Sugar Act of 1948, Senator Long entered motion to suspend the rules for the purpose of considering the bill, and the motion was debated until 5:35 p. m., when it was automatically laid aside for consideration of the unfinished business, H. R. 7195, reconveyance of lands in certain reservoir projects in Texas to former owners of such lands.

Senate subsequently adopted S. Res. 147, favoring the purchase of sugar in continental U. S. by CCC to alleviate overproduction. Pages 12842–12857, 12893–12894

Call of Calendar: On call of calendar, 30 measures, of which 23 were private, were passed as follows:

Without amendment and cleared for President:

Texas land: H. R. 7195, to provide for the reconveyance of lands in certain reservoir projects in Texas to former owners of such lands;

Lewisville Dam: H. R. 6102, to change the name of Garza-Little Elm Dam in Denton County, Tex., to Lewisville Dam;

Texas independence: H. R. 7244, to provide for the issuance of medals in commemoration of 120th anniversary of signing of Texas declaration of independence;

Dredging project: H. R. 4734, regarding reimbursement to local interests for work done on a dredging project at Los Angeles and Long Beach Harbors, Calif.; and

Private bills: 20 private bills, H. R. 3063, 929, 1235, 1319, 1641, 1909, 2079, 2235, 2339, 2704, 2897, 2916, 3195, 4544, 4643, 5074, 5082, 5908, 5913, 6741.

With amendment, to be sent back to House:

Tax: H. R. 7746, to provide tax relief to a charitable foundation and the contributors thereto; and

Private bill: H. R. 3027.

Without amendment and cleared for House:

Private bill: S. 872.

With amendment and cleared for House:

D. C. wages: S. 938, providing for payment and collection of wages in the D. C.;

Ericsson Memorial: S. J. Res. 93, authorizing acceptance of a gift from the Ericsson Memorial Committee; and

Private bill: S. 530. Pages 12857, 12867–12871, 12882–12883

Private Resolution: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. Con. Res. 42, a private resolution, completing legislative action on the measure.

Pages 12837–12838

Corregidor-Bataan Commission: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of H. R. 5469, to extend the authority of the Corregidor-Bataan Memorial Commission, and it was passed without amendment, clearing the bill for the President.

Page 12883

AEC: H. Con. Res. 196, requesting President to return for reenrollment H. R. 7684, authorizing AEC to pay salary of a Commissioner during recess of Senate, was agreed to. Page 12898

Legislative Appropriations: Senate adopted conference report on H. R. 7117, fiscal 1956 appropriations for legislative branch, Senate agreeing to House amendment to Senate amendment No. 52.

Senate then reconsidered its action earlier today in adopting H. J. Res. 434, providing appropriations for legislative branch for fiscal year 1956, and the bill was indefinitely postponed. Pages 12898–12904

Adjournment Resolutions: Senate adopted the following adjournment resolutions:

Adjournment: S. Con. Res. 57, providing for sine die adjournment of 1st session of 84th Congress;

Enrolled bills: S. Con. Res. 58, authorizing the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions notwithstanding the sine die adjournment of Congress;

Vice President: S. Res. 148, tendering thanks of Senate to Vice President for manner in which he has presided over Senate;

President pro tempore: S. Res. 149, tendering thanks of Senate to President pro tempore for manner in which he has presided over Senate. Pages 12858, 12915–12916

Legislative Record: Statements by majority and minority leaders reviewing legislative record of 1st session of the 84th Congress were ordered to be printed as a Senate document. Page 12858

Senate Press Gallery: Senate adopted S. J. Res. 104, increasing salaries of certain employees of Senate Press Gallery. Page 12915

Senate Hall of Fame: S. Res. 145, authorizing the placing of paintings of former Senators in five unfilled spaces in Senate Reception Room, was adopted.

Pages 12858–12859

TVA Steam Plants: S. Res. 146, opposing expenditure by TVA of funds for construction of certain steam plants until approved by Congress, was, upon its submission, ordered to lie upon the table. Pages 12888–12892

Adjournment: Pursuant to S. Con. Res. 57, Senate adjourned sine die at 12 midnight.

Committee Meetings

DEFECTIVE GRAIN STORAGE BINS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings with regard to defective grain storage bins in the Midwest, hearing testimony today from Wendell Becraft, State administrative officer, Agricultural State Committee, Manhattan, Kans., and Conrad Christiansen, Assistant Head of Inspection Branch, Office of Navy Materiel.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DIXON-YATES CONTRACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings with regard to the Dixon-Yates power contract, hearing further testimony today from Edgar H. Dixon, president, Middle South Utilities, Inc., and of the Mississippi Valley Generating Co. In an afternoon session, subcommittee heard testimony from Joseph Dodge, former Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

Hearings continue tomorrow, with further testimony from Mr. Dixon.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 22 public bills, H. R. 7837–7858; 11 private bills, H. R. 7859–7869; and 13 resolutions, H. J. Res. 435 and 436, H. Con. Res. 196, and H. Res. 334–343, were introduced

Pages 13028, 13051, 13060, 13062–13063, 13068, 13089–13990

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on S. 2126, the Housing Act of 1955 (H. Rept. 1622);

Conference report on S. 1077, settlement of claims for damages resulting from disaster at Texas City, Tex., in 1949 (H. Rept. 1623);

Conference report on S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service (H. Rept. 1624);

Conference report on H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise (H. Rept. 1625);

Conference report on S. 2501, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis (H. Rept. 1626);

Conference report on H. R. 7117, making appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1956 (H. Rept. 1627);

H. Res. 337, providing for the consideration of the conference report on H. R. 7117, the legislative branch appropriation bill, and making in order the consideration of an amendment thereto (H. Rept. 1628);

Conference report on H. R. 2907, a private bill (H. Rept. 1629);

Conference report on S. 2391, extending the Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years (H. Rept. 1630);

Conference report on H. R. 7618, to adjust civil-service annuities (H. Rept. 1631); and

Conference report on S. 2576, regarding repeal of rights of franchise of Capital Transit Co. in D. C. (H. Rept. 1632). Page 13089

Retirement Annuities: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H. R. 7618, to adjust civil-service annuities; requested a conference with the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Murray of Tennessee, Morrison, and Rees of Kansas. Page 12968

Conference Reports Adopted: Considered and adopted conference reports on the following bills:

Housing: S. 2126, the Housing Act of 1955, by a record vote of 187 yeas and 168 nays (cleared for President);

Texas City claims: S. 1077, settlement of claims for damages resulting from disaster at Texas City, Tex., in 1949 (cleared for President);

D. C. delegates: H. R. 191, to regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions (cleared for President);

Retirement: S. 1041, to amend the Civil Service Retirement Act to include State service in computation of accredited service (sent to Senate);

Armed Forces voting: H. R. 4048, to permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise (cleared for President);

Polio vaccine: S. 2501, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to States for the purpose of assisting States to provide children and expectant mothers an opportunity for vaccination against poliomyelitis (cleared for President);

Private bill: H. R. 1003, a private bill (cleared for President);

Private bill: H. R. 2907, a private bill (cleared for President);

Defense Production Act: S. 2391, extending the Defense Production Act of 1950 for 2 years (cleared for President);

Retirement annuities: H. R. 7618, to adjust civil-service annuities (cleared for President); and

D. C. transit strike: S. 2576, regarding repeal of rights of franchise of Capital Transit Co. in D. C. (sent to Senate).

Pages 12868–12985, 13000–13005, 13047–13049, 13056–13069

D. C. Transit Strike: By a voice vote the House passed H. R. 7718, to authorize the Capital Transit Co., under certain conditions, to surrender its franchise, after rejecting a recommittal motion by a division vote of 29 yeas to 130 nays. This passage was subsequently vacated and S. 2576, a similar bill, was amended to contain the provisions of the House bill and passed, after which the House bill was tabled. House insisted on its amendment, requested a conference with the Senate, and appointed as conferees Representatives McMillan, Harris, Smith of Virginia, Jones of North Carolina, O'Hara of Minnesota, Broyhill, and Hyde.

H. Res. 333, the rule for the consideration of H. R. 7718, was adopted previously. Pages 12985–13000

Printing: Adopted H. Res. 335, authorizing the printing of additional copies of part II of the hearings concerning poliomyelitis vaccine, for the use of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. Page 13028

Official Reporters of Debate: Adopted H. Res. 336, relating to the creation and filling of position of assistant clerk to the Official Reporters of Debate of the House of Representatives. Pages 13028–13029

Wildlife Restoration: Passed S. 756, to provide that the U. S. shall aid the States in wildlife restoration projects, without amendment and thus cleared the bill for the President. Page 13032

Small Business: Suspended the rules and passed S. 2127, extending the Small Business Administration for 2 years, with committee amendment; insisted on its amendment, asked for a conference with the Senate, and appointed as conferees Representatives Spence, Brown of Georgia, Patman, Rains, Wolcott, Gamble, and Talle. Pages 13039–13046

Legislative Appropriations: Adopted the conference report on H. R. 7117, making appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1956, and sent the bill to the Senate. Amendment 52 was in disagreement and the House receded and concurred therein with an amendment that incorporated certain provisions of H. R. 7440, to equalize and adjust certain salaries in the House of Representatives.

H. Res. 337, the rule for the consideration of the conference report on H. R. 7117, the legislative appropriation bill, also made in order the consideration of provisions of H. R. 7440, the salary adjustment bill, and was adopted earlier by a voice vote. Pages 13051–13056

Private Bill: Cleared H. R. 4508, a private bill, for the President by agreeing to Senate amendments thereto. Page 13057

Philippine Service: Adopted amendments and passed H. J. Res. 110, to provide wartime benefits for veterans and dependents thereof who served in the Moro Province, and other islands of the Philippines, between 1902 and 1914. Pages 13061–13062

Tobacco Allotments: Passed and cleared for President S. 2296, to amend section 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, with respect to tobacco allotments. Page 13062

House Parliamentarian: Adopted H. Res. 339, relating to compensation of Parliamentarian and Assistant Parliamentarian of the House of Representatives. Page 13062

Legislative Program: Adopted H. Res. 338, providing for a committee to notify the President of the completion of all business before the Congress. Representatives McCormack and Martin, on the part of the House, were appointed to the committee. Page 13060

Adjournment Resolution: Adopted S. Con. Res. 57, providing for the sine die adjournment of the 1st session of the 84th Congress. Page 13062

Enrolled Bills: Adopted S. Con. Res. 58, authorizing the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate to sign enrolled bills notwithstanding the adjournment of Congress. Page 13062–13063

Comptroller General Reports: Adopted H. Res. 340, providing that certain reports of the Comptroller General of the United States be printed as House documents during the 2d session of the 84th Congress. Page 13063

Congressional Documents: Adopted H. Res. 341, relative to compliance with subpenas duces tecum in regard to records and documents of Congress. Page 13063

Surplus Property: Passed and sent to the Senate H. R. 7855, to extend until June 30, 1956, the period during which disposals of surplus property may be made by negotiation. Pages 13067–13068

Atomic Energy Commission: Adopted H. Con. Res. 196, providing for the return by the President and the reenrolling of H. R. 7684, to authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to pay the salary of a Commissioner during the recess of the Senate, for correction of an error. Page 13068

House Disbursing Clerk: Adopted H. Res. 342, relating to the compensation of the Disbursing Clerk and Assistant Disbursing Clerk of the House of Representatives. Page 13071

Charitable Foundation: H. R. 7746, to provide tax relief to a charitable foundation and the contributors thereto, was cleared for the White House by House agreement to Senate amendments. Page 13071

Senate Salaries: A unanimous-consent request for the consideration of S. J. Res. 104, providing for the adjustment of certain salaries of Senate employees, was objected to, thus preventing consideration of the resolution. Page 13072

President's Message: Received a message from the President in which he complied with H. Con. Res. 196, requesting return of H. R. 7684, to authorize the Atomic Energy Commission to pay the salary of a Commissioner during the recess of the Senate. Page 13072

Adjournment: Pursuant to S. Con. Res. 57 the House of Representatives adjourned sine die at 11:36 p. m.

Committee Meetings

STATE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Committee on Government Operations: The Hardy Subcommittee on International Operations heard further testimony today from Edward B. Wilber, Deputy Controller for Budget and Finance, in connection with its study of overseas personnel administration in the Department of State. I. W. Carpenter, Jr., Controller of the State Department, also testified, along with Thomas S. Estes, Assistant Controller for Operations; and Loy W. Henderson, Deputy Under Secretary for Administration. Subcommittee recessed subject to call of the Chair.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule making in order the conference report on H. R. 7117, the legislative appropriation bill for 1956. The rule would also make in order House consideration of provisions of H. R. 7440, a bill to adjust salaries of House employees, with any amendments thereto as agreed upon by House conferees. Representatives Rooney and Horan spoke in connection with the legislation.

ROSENBERG CASE

Committee on Un-American Activities: Began interrogation of witnesses connected with the National Committee To Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. Heard James W. Glatis, Boston, Mass., regarding leadership of the committee located in the Massachusetts area, who identified one Herman Tamsky, of Boston, Mass., as chairman of the local group. Tamsky, under committee questioning, refused to answer counsel regarding his identity or association with the organization, citing his constitutional rights of protection from possible self-incrimination. Also questioned Philip Korwitz, husband of the secretary of the Boston group who had been excused from examination by doctor's orders. Mr. Tamsky also took the fifth amendment. Other witnesses who invoked the fifth amendment were Donald Rothenberg, a member of the national committee, and Mildred S. Rothenberg, secretary of the local Rosenberg group located in Cleveland, Ohio; and John Gilman, president of the Civil Rights Congress and chairman of the Milwaukee, Wis., Rosenberg group. Recessed on the subject until tomorrow morning, with hearings scheduled to go through Thursday.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST SESSION OF EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the House and Senate during the session, January 5, 1955, through August 2, 1955.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

RÉSUMÉ OF LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 5 through August 2, 1955

	Senate	*House*	*Total*
Days in session	105	112	..
Time in session	559 hrs., 41′	471 hrs., 19′	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	6,251	5,079	11,330
Appendix	..	..	6,314
Public bills enacted into law	162	228	390
Private bills enacted into law	146	344	490
Bills in conference	..	1	1
Bills through conference	14	44	58
Measures passed, total	1,325	1,597	..
Senate bills	574	361	..
House bills	566	966	..
Senate joint resolutions	22	16	..
House joint resolutions	20	24	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	25	18	..
House concurrent resolutions	21	25	..
Simple resolutions	97	187	284
Measures reported, total	*1,426	*1,528	..
Senate bills	626	215	..
House bills	571	1,099	..
Senate joint resolutions	27	7	..
House joint resolutions	20	33	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	28	9	..
House concurrent resolutions	21	17	..
Simple resolutions	133	148	281
Special reports	28	44	..
Conference reports	..	60	..
Reported measures not acted on	**22	**79	..
Measures introduced, total	3,070	8,844	11,914
Bills	2,759	7,869	10,628
Joint resolutions	104	436	540
Concurrent resolutions	58	196	254
Simple resolutions	149	343	492
Quorum calls	62	74	136
Yea-and-nay votes	88	73	161
Bills vetoed	5	6	11
Vetoes overridden	..	..	..

*These figures on measures reported include all placed on calendar or acted on by Senate even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 1,305 reports has been filed in the Senate; a total of 1,632 has been filed in the House.

**This figure does not agree with the total difference between bills reported and bills passed, because resolutions and bills placed on the House Calendar without having been formally reported were not included in figures of measures reported to the House; the difference in the case of Senate figures is due to uncounted bills "laid on the table" or "indefinitely postponed."

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 5 through August 2, 1955

Postmaster nominations, totaling 1,490, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,131
Withdrawn	12
Rejected	3
Unconfirmed	344
Army nominations, totaling 5,805, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,804
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	1
Air Force nominations, totaling 3,910, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	3,594
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	316
Navy nominations, totaling 16,496, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	16,432
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	64
Marine Corps nominations, totaling 11,256, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	11,256
Withdrawn	None
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	None
Civilian nominations other than postmasters, totaling 1,729, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,680
Withdrawn	3
Rejected	None
Unconfirmed	46

Summary

Total nominations received	40,686
Total withdrawn	15
Total rejected	3
Total unconfirmed	771
Total confirmed	39,897

TABLE OF APPROPRIATION BILLS, EIGHTY-FOURTH CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

Bill No.	Title	House					Senate					Public law			Increase or decrease compared to budget estimates to date
		Budget estimates to House	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Budget estimates to Senate	Date reported	Amount as reported	Date passed	Amount as passed	Date approved	Amount as approved	Law No.	
	1955 APPROPRIATIONS														
	Supplemental														
H. R. 2091	Urgent Deficiency, 1955	----------	Jan. 13	$25,000	Jan. 13	$25,000	$160,000	Jan. 17	$993,950	Jan. 18	$1,013,950	Jan. 25	$1,013,950	3	+$853,950
H. J. Res. 252	Justice, 1955	$750,000	Mar. 14	710,000	Mar. 14	710,000	750,000	Mar. 15	710,000	Mar. 16	710,000	Mar. 16	710,000	13	−40,000
H. R. 4903	Second Supplemental	920,523,454	Mar. 15	855,212,429	Mar. 18	857,187,429	952,002,718	Apr. 13	938,402,835	Apr. 14	945,412,835	Apr. 22	898,805,875	24	−53,196,843
H. J. Res. 310	Second Urgent Deficiency, 1955	28,263,475	May 19	25,263,475	May 19	25,263,475	28,263,475	May 23	25,263,475	May 25	25,263,475	May 27	25,263,475	48	−3,000,000
H. J. Res. 365	House of Representatives item	----------	June 30	12,000	June 30	12,000	----------	June 30	12,000	June 30	12,000	June 30	12,000	120	+12,000
	Total	949,536,929	----------	881,222,904	----------	883,197,904	981,176,193	----------	965,382,260	----------	972,412,260	----------	925,805,300	------	−55,370,893
	1956 APPROPRIATIONS														
	Supplemental														
H. J. Res. 366	Temporary appropriations	----------	June 30	----------	June 30	----------	----------	June 30	----------	June 30	----------	June 30	----------	123	----------
H. R. 7278	Supplemental appropriations	1,927,785,868	July 12	1,648,876,128	July 14	224,276,628	2,123,351,072	July 23	1,826,111,614	July 26	1,830,078,614	Aug. 4	1,656,625,802	219	−466,725,270
	Regular														
H. R. 4876	Treasury-Post Office	3,360,250,000	Mar. 11	3,282,553,000	Mar. 15	3,282,553,000	3,360,385,000	Apr. 12	3,358,622,000	Apr. 13	3,358,622,000	June 1	3,322,488,500	51	−37,896,500
H. R. 5046	Labor-HEW	2,432,148,861	Mar. 18	2,337,522,261	Mar. 21	2,337,522,261	2,432,148,861	June 2	2,404,055,600	June 6	2,404,905,600	Aug. 1	2,373,516,500	195	−58,632,361
H. R. 5085	Interior	313,353,056	Mar. 21	298,271,246	Mar. 24	297,925,546	314,523,056	May 2	327,987,088	May 5	327,987,088	June 16	317,573,627	78	+3,050,571
H. R. 5239	Agriculture	897,684,574	Mar. 25	880,260,050	Mar. 28	880,260,050	898,384,574	Apr. 21	884,393,923	Apr. 26	884,433,923	May 23	883,051,623	40	−15,332,951
H. R. 5240	Independent Offices	5,639,790,000	Mar. 26	5,845,595,375	Mar. 30	5,845,595,375	5,640,155,000	June 2	5,882,379,500	June 6	5,848,394,500	June 30	5,842,458,500	112	+202,303,500
H. R. 5502	State, Justice, Judiciary	483,531,912	Apr. 13	450,398,227	Apr. 14	450,398,227	483,531,912	May 26	481,985,418	May 31	481,985,418	July 7	466,302,415	133	−17,229,497
H. R. 6042	Defense	32,232,815,000	May 5	31,488,206,000	May 12	31,488,206,000	32,232,815,000	June 14	31,836,521,336	June 20	31,882,915.726	July 13	31,882,815,726	157	−349,999,274
H. R. 6239	District of Columbia	(175,405,300)	May 12	(166,547,509)	May 19	(166,901,780)	(175,462,020)	June 22	(169,456,749)	June 23	(169,456,749)	July 5	(168,843,440)	131	(−6,618,580)
	Federal payment	21,892,700	----------	17,892,700	----------	17,892,700	21,892,700	----------	21,892,700	----------	21,892,700	----------	19,892,700	------	−2,000,000
H. R. 6367	Commerce	1,366,393,000	May 19	1,121,435,000	May 24	1,123,685,000	1,366,393,000	June 10	1,314,617,300	June 16	1,317,192,300	June 30	1,245,360,000	121	−121,033,000
H. R. 6499	General Government	27,700,700	May 26	21,890,700	June 1	21,890,700	28,777,700	June 17	27,166,300	June 21	27,166,300	June 29	27,166,300	110	−1,611,400
H. R. 6766	Public Works	1,789,165,000	June 10	1,285,746,242	June 16	1,372,122,800	1,801,465,000	July 1	1,377,491,000	July 5	1,377,571,000	July 15	1,365,613,500	163	−435,851,500
H. R. 7117	Legislative	67,572,138	June 30	66,298,175	July 1	66,298,175	92,641,411	July 28	92,924,027	July 29	93,025,527	Aug. 5	92,808,972	242	+167,561
	Total (regular)	48,632,296,241	----------	47,096,068,976	----------	47,184,349,834	48,673,113,214	----------	48,010,036,192	----------	48,026,092,082	----------	47,839,048,363	------	−834,064,851
	Foreign aid														
H. R. 7224	Mutual Security	3,266,641,750	July 8	2,638,741,750	July 11	2,638,741,750	3,266,641,750	July 19	3,205,341,750	July 22	3,205,841,750	Aug. 2	2,703,341,750	208	−563,300,000
	Total (regular and foreign aid)	51,898,937,991	----------	49,734,810,726	----------	49,823,091,584	51,939,754,964	----------	51,215,377,942	----------	51,231,923,832	----------	50,542,390,113	------	−1,397,364,851

RECAPITULATION FOR SESSION

	Estimates	Amount appropriated	Increase or decrease
Total 1955 supplemental	$981,176,193	$925,805,300	−$55,370,893
Total 1956 supplemental	*2,123,351,072	1,656,625,802	−466,725,270
Total 1956 regular and foreign aid	51,939,754,964	50,542,390,113	−1,397,364,851
Grand total	55,044,282,229	53,124,821,215	−1,919,461,014

*Does not include $156,500,000 for Post Office Department Pay Act costs (H. Doc. 119), deferred to next session.

BILLS ENACTED INTO PUBLIC LAW (84TH CONG., 1ST SESS.)

	Law No.		Law No.		Law No.		Law No.		Law No.		Law No.
S. 14	49	S. 1210	269	S. 2351	284	H. R. 2112	318	H. R. 4663	386	H. R. 6277	245
S. 34	255	S. 1250	169	S. 2375	254	H. R. 2126	111	H. R. 4672	371	H. R. 6295	189
S. 35	108	S. 1290	150	S. 2391	295	H. R. 2149	309	H. R. 4717	234	H. R. 6331	199
S. 37	33	S. 1300	152	S. 2403	286	H. R. 2150	229	H. R. 4720	20	H. R. 6367	121
S. 56	256	S. 1318	164	S. 2427	227	H. R. 2225	38	H. R. 4725	74	H. R. 6382	285
S. 67	94	S. 1340	265	S. 2428	244	H. R. 2369	1	H. R. 4727	210	H. R. 6410	106
S. 72	257	S. 1391	353	S. 2501	377	H. R. 2406	198	H. R. 4734	314	H. R. 6417	328
S. 107	142	S. 1395	358	S. 2511	288	H. R. 2553	370	H. R. 4744	383	H. R. 6419	172
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Providing for correction of clerical error in the Internal Revenue Code by restoring penalties for narcotic law violations.	H. R. 2369	Jan. 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	384	458	Jan. 17	Jan. 18	Jan. 20	1
Providing for continuation in office of certain members of the Commission on Governmental Operations.	S. J. Res. 4	Jan. 6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	385	113	Jan. 17	Jan. 6	Jan. 20	2
Urgent Deficiency Appropriations Act, 1955	H. R. 2091	Jan. 13	App*	App*	Jan. 13	Jan. 17	3	6	283	460	Jan. 13	Jan. 18	Jan. 25	3
Authorizing the President to employ the Armed Forces of the U. S. for protecting the security of Formosa, the Pescadores, and related positions and territories of that area.	H. J. Res. 159 (S. J. Res. 28)	Jan. 24	FA	FR and AS	Jan. 24	Jan. 26	4	13	681	995	Jan. 25	Jan. 28	Jan. 29	4
To extend time of final report of Commission on Intergovernmental Relations.	H. R. 2010 (S. 539)	Jan. 11	.....	GO	.....	Jan. 26	.....	15	855	1044	Jan. 27	Feb. 1	Feb. 7	5
Extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 Olympic games in Detroit, Mich.	S. J. Res. 14	Jan. 10	.....	FR	.....	Feb. 8	.....	27	1432	1378	Feb. 10	Feb. 9	Feb. 15	6
To provide that persons serving in the Armed Forces on Jan. 31, 1955, may continue to accrue educational benefits, under the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1952, to Jan. 31, 1965.	H. R. 587	Jan. 5	VA*	LPW*	Jan. 25	Feb. 8	8	26	866	1378	Jan. 27	Feb. 9	Feb. 15	7
To provide for increased durum wheat acreage	S. 145	Jan. 6	Agr*	Agr*	Feb. 8	Jan. 21	24	9	1434	735	Feb. 10	Jan. 26	Feb. 19	8
To increase the salaries of justices and judges of U. S. courts, U. S. attorneys, and Members of Congress.	H. R. 3828 (S. 462)	Feb. 8	Jud	Jud*	Feb. 14	Feb. 1	49	25	1589	1947	Feb. 16	Feb. 23	Mar. 2	9
To increase by $1.5 billion the FHA mortgage insurance authority	S. J. Res. 42 (H. J. Res. 202)	Feb. 11	BC	BC*	Feb. 22	Feb. 15	66	33	2342	2147	Mar. 2	Feb. 25	Mar. 11	10
Authorizing Armed Forces personnel to participate in certain international amateur sports competitions.	S. 829 (H. R. 3014)	Jan. 28	AS*	AS*	Mar. 10	Mar. 4	196	44	2621	2510	Mar. 10	Mar. 8	Mar. 14	11
Relating to the regulation of fishing nets in Alaskan waters	S. 456 (H. R. 249)	Jan. 14	MMF	IFC*	Mar. 2	Feb. 11	85	32	2435	1853	Mar. 7	Feb. 21	Mar. 16	12
Making an additional appropriation for the Department of Justice for fiscal year 1955.	H. J. Res. 252	Mar. 11	App*	App*	Mar. 14	Mar. 15	205	106	2835	3011	Mar. 14	Mar. 16	Mar. 21	13
To repeal law providing a revolving fund for purchase of agricultural commodities and raw materials to be processed in occupied areas and sold.	S. 942 (H. R. 2123)	Feb. 4	AS*	Agr	Feb. 16	Mar. 2	53	38	2932	2509	Mar. 15	Mar. 8	Mar. 23	14
To amend Public Law 10 (83d Cong.) to permit acquisition by Members of House of Representatives of more than 2 electric typewriters.	H. J. Res. 250	Mar. 10	HA	.....	Mar. 16	.....	219	.....	3046	3137	Mar. 16	Mar. 18	Mar. 25	15
To amend the Reorganization Act, so that such act will apply to reorganization plans transmitted to the Congress at any time before June 1, 1957.	H. R. 2576 (S. 613)	Jan. 20	GO	GO	Jan. 25	Jan. 26	6	16	791	1045	Jan. 26	Feb. 1	Mar. 25	16
To eliminate the need for renewal of oaths of office upon change of status of employees of the Senate and House of Representatives.	S. 913	Feb. 4	HA	RAdm	Mar. 16	Feb. 10	212	31	3045	1853	Mar. 16	Feb. 21	Mar. 28	17
To provide a 1-year extension of the existing corporate normal-tax rate and of certain existing excise-tax rates.	H. R. 4259	Feb. 22	WM	Fin*	Feb. 22	Mar. 1	69	36	2181	2918	Feb. 25	Mar. 15	Mar. 30	18
To reopen negotiations for the sale of the copolymer plant at Baytown, Tex.	S. 691	Jan. 24	.....	BC*	.....	Mar. 22	.....	116	3701	3535	Mar. 24	Mar. 23	Mar. 31	19
To provide incentives for members of the uniformed services by increasing certain pay and allowances.	H. R. 4720	Mar. 8	AS*	AS*	Mar. 8	Mar. 28	90	125	2648	4013	Mar. 10	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	20
Directing a redetermination of the national marketing quota for burley tobacco for the 1955–56 marketing year.	H. R. 4951 (S. 1457)	Mar. 15	Agr*	Agr	Mar. 18	Mar. 16	238	111	3711	4025	Mar. 24	Mar. 30	Mar. 31	21
To amend the Foreign Service Act of 1946 so as to enable the Department of State to continue the integration of its personnel into the Foreign Service Officer Corps and to improve employment conditions of such personnel.	H. R. 4941	Mar. 15	FA*	FR	Mar. 18	Mar. 30	229	127	3568	4026	Mar. 23	Mar. 30	Apr. 5	22
Relating to the sale of water from the Clark Hill Reservoir to the city of McCormick, S. C.	H. R. 4436 (S. 1217)	Feb. 25	PW	PW	Mar. 30	Mar. 30	315	126	4083	4252	Mar. 30	Apr. 1	Apr. 11	23
Second supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1955	H. R. 4903	Mar. 15	App*	App*	Mar. 15	Apr. 13	207	138	3207	4447	Mar. 18	Apr. 14	Apr. 22	24

To amend the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, so as to eliminate the requirement that privately owned stocks exported thereunder be replaced from CCC stocks.	S. 752	Jan. 26	Agr	Agr	Mar. 29	Mar. 2	309	40	4587	2420	Apr. 18	Mar. 4	Apr. 25	25
To designate the 1st day of May 1955 as Loyalty Day.....	H. J. Res. 184 (S. J. Res. 58)	Jan. 31	Jud	Jud	Mar. 10	Apr. 18	199	139	3928	4813	Mar. 29	Apr. 20	Apr. 27	26
Providing for reapportionment of rice acreage allotments voluntarily surrendered to county committees.	H. R. 2839	Jan. 24	Agr*	Agr	Mar. 16	Apr. 20	222	213	3215	4975	Mar. 18	Apr. 25	Apr. 30	27
To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act with respect to rice allotment history.	H. R. 4356	Feb. 24	Agr*	Agr	Mar. 16	Apr. 20	223	214	3215	4975	Mar. 18	Apr. 25	Apr. 30	28
To amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.	H. R. 4647	Mar. 7	Agr*	Agr	Mar. 18	Apr. 20	237	211	3586	4978	Mar. 23	Apr. 25	May 5	29
To permit Federal release of reversionary rights in certain acreage to Vineland School District, Kern County, Calif.	H. J. Res. 107	Jan. 10	Agr	Agr	Feb. 8	Apr. 25	23	223	2932	5226	Mar. 15	Apr. 28	May 5	30
To authorize AEC to construct its principal office building in the D. C. area.	S. 1722 (H. R. 5645)	Apr. 18	AE	AE	Apr. 19	Apr. 18	424	142	5150	4974	Apr. 27	Apr. 25	May 6	31
To provide transportation on Canadian vessels between Alaska and the U. S.	S. 948	Feb. 4	MMF	IFC	Apr. 21	Mar. 11	431	59	5325	3799	May 2	Mar. 28	May 7	32
To amend the act increasing the retired pay of certain members of the former Lighthouse Service in order to make such increase permanent.	S. 37 (H. R. 3486)	Jan. 6	MMF	IFC	Apr. 26	Mar. 28	444	122	5327	4366	May 2	Apr. 13	May 11	33
Declaring certain tidewaters in Fort Point Channel in the city of Boston to be nonnavigable.	H. R. 1816	Jan. 10	IFC	IFC	Apr. 18	Apr. 28	421	258	4589	5745	Apr. 18	May 5	May 13	34
Authorizing free subsistence and quarters to employees of Corps of Engineers engaged on floating-plant operations.	H. R. 4936 (S. 1507)	Mar. 15	POCS*	POCS	Apr. 25	Apr. 28	439	252	5326	5744	May 2	May 5	May 13	35
Authorizing transfer of certain property by State of Arizona and town of Tempe, Ariz.	H. R. 1602 (S. 53)	Jan. 6	IIA	IIA	Apr. 25	Apr. 28	436	250	5325	5739	May 2	May 5	May 13	36
To clarify the Federal Employees Uniform Allowance Act relative to enactment date.	S. 1094 (H. R. 3948)	Feb. 18	POCS	POCS	Apr. 25	Apr. 25	438	222	5326	5217	May 2	Apr. 28	May 13	37
To provide permanent certificates for local-service air carriers.....	H. R. 2225 (S. 651)	Jan. 13	IFC*	IFC*	Mar. 22	Mar. 28	265	124	4733	4819	Apr. 19	Apr. 20	May 19	38
To extend to additional lands the act to protect scenic values along Oak Creek Canyon and within Coconino National Forest, Ariz.	H. R. 2679	Jan. 20	IIA	.....	Apr. 25	.....	437	.....	5326	5739	May 2	May 5	May 19	39
Department of Agriculture and Farm Credit Administration appropriations for fiscal 1956.	H. R. 5239	Mar. 25	App*	App*	Mar. 25	Apr. 21	303	216	3881	5110	Mar. 28	Apr. 26	May 23	40
Providing for a 30-day extension and final liquidation of the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government.	S. 1763	Apr. 20	GO	GO	May 4	Apr. 25	482	217	6352	5106	May 16	Apr. 26	May 23	41
To repeal sec. 348 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, effective with respect to 1955 and subsequent crops, relating to restrictions on agricultural conservation payments.	H. R. 1573	Jan. 6	Agr*	Agr*	Feb. 22	Apr. 20	67	210	2348	6442	Mar. 2	May 17	May 23	42
To protect innocent purchasers of converted fungible goods from claims by the CCC.	H. R. 1831	Jan. 10	Agr*	Agr*	Mar. 8	May 4	154	270	3932	5840	Mar. 29	May 9	May 23	43
To promote national defense by authorizing construction of certain aeronautical research facilities by National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.	H. R. 2581	Jan. 20	AS*	AS*	Feb. 16	Apr. 28	54	259	1998	5742	Feb. 23	May 5	May 23	44
Authorizes appropriation for operation of Commission of Fine Arts.	S. 1413 (H. R. 4534)	Mar. 11	HA	RAdm	Mar. 16	Mar. 24	220	120	6487	4367	May 17	Apr. 13	May 25	45
Authorizing reciprocal fire-protection agreements between Government agencies and public or private organizations.	S. 1006 (H. R. 6015)	Feb. 8	GO	GO	May 9	May 5	549	274	6360	5841	May 16	May 9	May 27	46
Relating to exploration, location, and entry of mineral lands within the Papago Indian Reservation.	H. R. 2682 (S. 33)	Jan. 20	IIA	IIA	May 9	May 17	544	356	6468	6775	May 17	May 23	May 27	47
Second Urgent Deficiency Appropriations for 1955.....	H. J. Res. 310	May 19	App*	App*	May 19	May 23	605	371	6680	6971	May 19	May 25	May 27	48
Authorizing conveyance of portion of Camp Mabry, Tex., to the State of Texas.	S. 14 (H. R. 489)	Jan. 6	AS*	AS*	Apr. 28	Apr. 25	453	218	6461	5215	May 17	Apr. 28	June 1	49
Conveyance of Camp Dodge, Polk County, Iowa, to the State of Iowa..	S. 148 (H. R. 755)	Jan. 6	AS*	AS*	Apr. 28	Apr. 25	454	219	6463	5215	May 17	Apr. 28	June 1	50
Departments of Treasury and Post Office and U. S. Tax Court appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 4876	Mar. 11	App*	App*	Mar. 11	Apr. 12	204	136	2965	4365	Mar. 15	Apr. 13	June 1	51
Conveyance of Jackson Barracks, La., to the State of Louisiana.....	S. 653 (H. R. 5170)	Jan. 21	AS*	AS*	Apr. 28	Apr. 25	456	220	6464	5216	May 17	Apr. 28	June 1	52
To provide penalties for threats against President or Vice President and President-elect or Vice President-elect.	S. 734	Jan. 26	Jud	Jud	May 10	Mar. 15	578	95	6472	3802	May 17	Mar. 28	June 1	53
Authorizing payment for losses incurred in July 1954 in treatment of infected swine.	S. 1133 (H. R. 4576)	Feb. 21	Agr	Agr	May 17	May 4	598	269	6473	5839	May 17	May 9	June 1	54

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To authorize Federal land banks to purchase certain remaining assets of the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation.	S. 941	Feb. 4	Agr*	Agr	May 9	Mar. 2	550	37	6487	2489	May 17	Mar. 8	June 1	55
To authorize the Territory of Alaska to obtain advances from the Federal Unemployment Act.	S. 1650 (H. R. 5462)	Apr. 1	IIA	IIA*	May 11	May 3	582	263	6472	5837	May 17	May 9	June 1	56
Authorizing certain administrative expenses in the Treasury Department.	S. 1727 (H. R. 5877)	Apr. 19	WM	GO	May 9	May 5	548	273	6658	5841	May 19	May 9	June 1	57
To continue in effect the provisions of title II of the First War Powers Act of 1941.	H. R. 4052	Feb. 16	Jud	Jud	Apr. 4	May 17	394	354	4589	6636	Apr. 18	May 19	June 1	58
Reappointment of Dr. Jerome Hunsaker as citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.	S. J. Res. 18	Jan. 14	HA	RAdm	May 25	Apr. 28	632	237	7048	5735	May 25	May 5	June 3	59
To authorize the waiving of the requirement of performance and payment bonds in connection with certain Coast Guard contracts.	H. R. 3885	Feb. 10	Jud	AS	Mar. 15	May 19	208	366	3928	7102	Mar. 29	May 26	June 3	60
To amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, so as to improve the administration of the program for the utilization of surplus property for educational and public health purposes.	H. R. 3322	Jan. 31	GO*	GO	Mar. 14	May 17	206	351	3104	6632	Mar. 17	May 19	June 3	61
To amend the act of 1945, pertaining to the Columbia River at Bonneville, Oreg.	H. R. 3879	Feb. 10	PW	PW	Apr. 4	May 27	393	392	5325	7252	May 2	May 31	June 8	62
Providing for adjustment of tolls on bridge across Des Moines River at St. Francisville, Mo.	H. R. 625	Jan. 5	PW	PW	May 2	May 27	466	393	6465	7252	May 17	May 31	June 8	63
To remove the requirement as to verifying under oath certain certificates of vessel inspection.	H. R. 4646	Mar. 7	MMF	IFC	Apr. 26	May 26	446	380	5327	7254	May 2	May 31	June 8	64
Relating to time limitations on the payment of money orders.....	H. R. 4817 (S. 1488)	Mar. 10	POCS	POCS	Apr. 26	May 2	442	262	5326	7252	May 2	May 31	June 8	65
To continue through June 30, 1956, the suspension of duties and import taxes on metal scrap.	H. R. 5223	Apr. 13	WM	Fin	May 9	May 27	545	386	6659	7256	May 19	May 31	June 8	66
To authorize certain early discharges of enlisted personnel of the Coast Guard.	H. R. 5224	Apr. 13	MMF	IFC	May 10	May 26	571	379	6471	7255	May 17	May 31	June 8	67
To increase the rates of basic compensation of officers and employees in the field service of the Post Office Department.	S. 2061	May 24	POCS*	POCS*	June 2	May 26	728	382	7786	7344	June 7	June 1	June 10	68
Extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1960 winter Olympic games at Squaw Valley, Calif.	S. J. Res. 51 (H. J. Res. 296)	Mar. 2	FA	FR	May 17	May 9	595	275	7791	6297	June 7	May 13	June 13	69
To amend the Rural Electrification Act regarding allocation of electrification funds.	S. 153 (H. R. 5376)	Jan. 6	Agr*	Agr*	May 9	Apr. 20	547	209	7665	6625	June 6	May 19	June 15	70
Providing for preliminary examination and survey of New England coastal areas to determine possible means of preventing property damage and loss of life due to hurricane winds and tides.	S. 414	Jan. 14	PW	PW*	.....	May 27	.....	388	7530	7250	June 2	May 31	June 15	71
To make retrocession to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of jurisdiction over certain land in the vicinity of Fort Devens, Mass.	H. R. 3825	Feb. 8	AS*	AS*	May 3	June 2	473	408	6467	7636	May 17	June 6	June 15	72
To amend the U. S. Code concerning interchange of supplies between the Armed Forces.	H. R. 4294	Feb. 23	AS*	AS*	Apr. 28	June 2	455	409	6463	7636	May 17	June 6	June 15	73
Providing for retroactive repeal of sections 452 and 462 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to prepaid income and reserves for estimated expenses.	H. R. 4725	Mar. 8	WM*	Fin*	Mar. 22	May 23	293	372	3699	7086	Mar. 24	May 26	June 15	74
To create the Boston National Historic Sites Commission.....	S. J. Res. 6 (H. J. Res. 207)	Jan. 6	IIA	IIA	May 24	May 24	618	374	7794	7107	June 7	May 26	June 16	75
To amend acts authorizing agricultural entries under nonmineral land laws of certain mineral lands in order to increase the limitation with respect to desert entries made under such acts to 320 acres.	S. 265 (H. R. 1844)	Jan. 10	IIA	IIA	May 25	Apr. 28	626, 628	251	7795	5838	June 7	May 9	June 16	76
Authorizing transfer of certain federally owned land to the State of Wyoming.	S. 266 (H. R. 1843)	Jan. 10	IIA	IIA	May 26	May 2	665, 666	260	7798	5740	June 7	May 5	June 16	77

Interior Department appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 5085	Mar. 21	App*	App*	Mar. 21	May 2	239	261	3685	5730	Mar. 24	May 5	June 16	78
To extend time for construction of toll bridge across Rainy River at Baudette, Minn.	S. 528 (H. R. 4630)	Jan. 18	FA	PW	May 17	May 27	594	394	7791	7252	June 7	May 31	June 16	79
Authorizing conveyance of certain war-housing projects to the cities of Warwick and Hampton, Va.	S. 755	Jan. 27	BC	BC*	May 26	Apr. 28	664	242	7797	5737	June 7	May 5	June 16	80
To provide for the conveyance of certain lands by the U. S. to the city of Woodward, Okla.	S. 998 (H. R. 1762)	Feb. 8	Agr	Agr	May 11	Apr. 20	584	212	7810	4975	June 7	Apr. 25	June 16	81
To strengthen the investigation provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act.	S. 1398 (H. R. 4514)	Mar. 10	Agr	Agr	May 9	May 4	552	268	7789	5839	June 7	May 9	June 16	82
To amend Veterans Regulation No. 7 (a) to clarify the entitlement of veterans to outpatient dental care.	H. R. 5100	Mar. 21	VA*	LPW	Mar. 24	June 6	298	463	4586	7877	Apr. 18	June 8	June 16	83
To amend the Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 so as to authorize loans for farm housing to be guaranteed or insured under the same terms and conditions as apply to residential housing.	H. R. 5106	Mar. 21	VA*	LPW	Mar. 24	June 6	299	464	4586	7878	Apr. 18	June 8	June 16	84
Authorizing transfer of certain land in Richland County, S. C.	H. R. 5177	Mar. 23	VA	LPW	Mar. 24	June 6	300	465	4587	7878	Apr. 18	June 8	June 16	85
To extend the authority of the President to enter into trade agreements.	H. R. 1	Jan. 5	WM*	Fin*	Feb. 14	Apr. 28	50	232	1795	5655	Feb. 18	May 4	June 21	86
To lower the age requirements with respect to optional retirement of persons serving in the Coast Guard who served in the former Lighthouse Service.	S. 1419 (H. R. 3399)	Mar. 14	MMF	IFC	May 10	May 26	570	381	7790	7254	June 7	May 31	June 21	87
To extend the authority of the VA Administrator to make direct loans, and to make additional type of direct loans thereunder.	S. 654 (H. R. 5715)	Jan. 21	VA*	BC*	Apr. 26	Apr. 28	447	243	7547	5736	June 2	May 5	June 21	88
To increase the efficiency of the Coast and Geodetic Survey	H. R. 5398	Mar. 31	MMF	IFC	May 3	June 8	475	503	6468	8113	May 17	June 14	June 21	89
To correct inequities in pay schedules of dispatchers in the post-office motor-vehicle service.	H. R. 4659	Mar. 7	POCS	POCS	Apr. 26	June 10	443	513	5327	8115	May 2	June 14	June 21	90
To continue through June 30, 1958, the suspension of certain import taxes on copper.	H. R. 5695	Apr. 20	WM	Fin*	May 4	June 1	485	403	5757	7867	May 5	June 8	June 21	91
To extend the time for filing application for payment by certain disabled veterans on automobiles or other conveyances.	H. R. 5089	Mar. 21	VA*	LPW	Mar. 24	June 6	297	466	5324	7878	May 2	June 8	June 21	92
Conveyance of certain real property to the city of Richmond, Calif.	H. R. 4359	Feb. 24	MMF	IFC	May 3	June 8	474	501	6467	8113	May 17	June 14	June 22	93
To adjust the rates of basic compensation of certain officers and employees of the Federal Government.	S. 67 (H. R. 6511)	Jan. 6	POCS*	POCS*	June 16	Mar. 10	857	58	8741	3769	June 20	Mar. 25	June 28	94
Relating to mailing of obscene matter	S. 600 (H. R. 3333)	Jan. 21	Jud	Jud	June 1	Mar. 16	690	113	7798	3804	June 7	Mar. 28	June 28	95
Directing a study and report by the Secretary of Agriculture on burley tobacco marketing controls.	S. J. Res. 60	Mar. 28	Agr	Agr	May 17	Apr. 5	596	224	7791	5226	June 7	Apr. 28	June 28	96
Arkansas River compact between Arkansas and Oklahoma	H. R. 208	Jan. 5	PW	PW	May 2	June 14	463	539	5327	8622	May 2	June 17	June 28	97
Authorizing construction, maintenance, and operation of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at Los Ebanos, Tex.	H. R. 2984	Jan. 25	FA	FR	Apr. 28	June 11	462	514	6464	8621	May 17	June 17	June 28	98
To amend the Flood Control Act of 1941 pertaining to emergency flood-control work.	H. R. 3878	Feb. 10	PW	PW	Apr. 4	June 14	392	540	6459	8622	May 17	June 17	June 28	99
Authorizing construction, maintenance, and operation of a toll bridge across the Rio Grande at Rio Grande City, Tex.	H. R. 4573	Mar. 2	FA	FR	Apr. 28	June 11	461	515	6464	8621	May 17	June 17	June 28	100
To repeal the fee stamp requirement in the Foreign Service and amend section 1728 of the Revised Statutes.	H. R. 5841	Apr. 26	FA	FR	Apr. 28	June 15	458	550	6464	8628	May 17	June 17	June 28	101
To repeal service charge for authenticating copies of records in State Department.	H. R. 5842	Apr. 26	FA	FR	Apr. 28	June 15	459	551	6464	8628	May 17	June 17	June 28	102
To amend the act of 1922 relating to installation of telephones in certain private residences for Federal use.	H. R. 4426	Feb. 25	PW	PW	Apr. 4	June 14	395	541	4589	8622	Apr. 18	June 17	June 28	103
Authorizing certain officers and employees of the Department of State and Foreign Service to carry firearms.	H. R. 5860	Apr. 26	FA	FR	May 2	June 15	468	552	6466	8628	May 17	June 17	June 28	104
To regulate the sale and use of fireworks in the Canal Zone	H. R. 4650	Mar. 7	MMF	AS	May 3	June 16	476	571	6468	8677	May 17	June 20	June 28	105
Authorizing construction of building for Museum of History and Technology for the Smithsonian Institution.	H. R. 6410	May 23	PW*	PW*	May 24	June 15	617	556	7913	8629	June 8	June 17	June 28	106
Dedicating the Custis-Lee Mansion in Arlington National Cemetery as a permanent memorial to Robert E. Lee.	S. J. Res. 62	Mar. 30	HA	.....	May 24	.....	620	.....	7795	4258	June 7	Apr. 1	June 29	107
To permit the shipment by mail of live scorpions	S. 35	Jan. 6	POCS	POCS	June 7	Apr. 1	733	131	8729	4451	June 20	Apr. 14	June 29	108
Authorizing erection of a memorial gift from the Government of Venezuela.	H. J. Res. 232	Feb. 24	HA	RAdm	May 24	June 17	619	579	7795	8824	June 7	June 21	June 29	109
General Government matters appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 6499	May 26	App*	App*	May 26	June 17	634	573	7391	8811	June 1	June 21	June 29	110
Extension of the saline-water conversion program	H. R. 2126 (S. 516)	Jan. 13	IIA*	IIA*	Mar. 7	May 23	89	370	6358	7105	May 16	May 26	June 29	111
Independent offices appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 5240	Mar. 26	App*	App*	Mar. 26	June 2	304	411	4083	7633	Mar. 30	June 6	June 30	112
To extend the period of authorization of appropriations for hospital center and facilities in D. C.	S. 666 (H. R. 5852)	Jan. 24	DC	DC	June 27	June 22	886	632	9256	9163	June 27	June 24	June 30	113

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Authorizing sale of certain vessels to Philippine citizens and to provide for the rehabilitation of interisland commerce.	S. J. Res. 67	Apr. 27	MMF	IFC	June 22	May 17	899	358	9002	6637	June 22	May 19	June 30	114
Reserve Officer Personnel Act amendments	S. 1718	Apr. 18	AS	AS*	June 23	May 20	904	368	9409	7104	June 28	May 26	June 30	115
Conveyance of land in Macon County to Georgia State Board of Education.	H. R. 2973	Jan. 25	Agr	Agr	May 17	June 15	597	559	7792	9248	June 7	June 27	June 30	116
To extend for 2 years the period for making emergency agricultural loans.	S. 1582 (H. R. 5822)	Mar. 30	Agr*	Agr	June 15	June 17	839	574	9286	8715	June 27	June 20	June 30	117
To extend the Universal Military Training and Service Act and the Dependents Assistance Act for 4 years and to extend the Doctors Draft Act for 2 years.	H. R. 3005	Jan. 25	AS*	AS*	Feb. 3	June 14	19	549	1329	8463	Feb. 8	June 16	June 30	118
Providing for a 30-day extension of certain housing programs, the Small Business Act of 1953, and the Defense Production Act of 1950.	S. J. Res. 85	June 27	.....	BC	.....	June 27	.....	639	9410	9317	June 28	June 28	June 30	119
Making additional appropriation of $12,000 for House of Representatives folding room for fiscal year 1955.	H. J. Res. 365	June 20	App*	App	June 30	June 30	1032	.....	9600	9545	June 30	June 30	June 30	120
Commerce Department appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 6367	May 19	App*	App*	May 19	June 10	603	512	6929	8453	May 24	June 16	June 30	121
To extend the Missing Persons Act until July 1, 1956	S. 2266 (H. R. 6726)	June 16	AS*	AS*	June 15	June 16	841	570	9509	8677	June 29	June 20	June 30	122
Making temporary appropriations for fiscal 1956 for those Government agencies whose 1956 appropriations have not yet been enacted, and providing for increased pay costs.	H. J. Res. 366	June 30	App*	App	June 30	June 30	1033	.....	9631	9591	June 30	June 30	June 30	123
To extend for 1 year the existing temporary increase in the public debt limit.	H. R. 6992	June 23	WM*	Fin	June 27	June 29	914	688	9252	9576	June 27	June 30	June 30	124
To extend for 1 year war risk hazard and detention benefits	H. R. 6871	June 16	Jud	LPW	June 27	June 30	916	692	9407	9561	June 28	June 30	June 30	125
To extend for 3 years the existing privilege of free importation of personal and household effects brought into U. S. under Government orders.	H. R. 5560	Apr. 14	WM	Fin	June 18	June 29	859	690	9100	9565	June 23	June 30	June 30	126
To increase the public benefits from the national park system by facilitating the management of museum properties relating thereto.	S. 1747 (H. R. 5597)	Apr. 20	IIA	IIA	May 24	May 19	616	365	7794	7102	June 7	May 26	July 1	127
Creating a Federal Commission to formulate plans for the construction in D. C. of a civic auditorium.	H. R. 1825	Jan. 10	DC	DC	May 3	June 22	471	626	5877	9163	May 9	June 24	July 1	128
Authorizing appropriations for completing construction of the Inter-American Highway.	H. R. 5923	Apr. 28	PW	PW*	May 23	June 14	611	542	7908	8623	June 8	June 17	July 1	129
To provide for the construction of distribution systems on authorized Federal reclamation projects by irrigation districts and other public agencies.	H. R. 103	Jan. 5	IIA	IIA*	Feb. 18	May 19	61	362	2932	7101	Mar. 15	May 26	July 4	130
District of Columbia appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 6239	May 13	App*	App*	May 13	June 22	589	623	6680	9068	May 19	June 23	July 5	131
To fix the interest rate on certain disaster loans at 3 percent	S. 1755	Apr. 20	Agr*	Agr*	June 27	May 19	915	363	9285	7088	June 27	May 26	July 7	132
Departments of State and Justice, the judiciary, and related agencies appropriations for fiscal 1956.	H. R. 5502	Apr. 13	App*	App*	Apr. 13	May 26	417	378	4504	7248	Apr. 14	May 31	July 7	133
To provide for the bonding of certain officers and employees of the D. C. Government.	S. 391	Jan. 14	DC	DC	June 22	Apr. 28	876	256	9260	5741	June 27	May 5	July 7	134
Increasing the criminal penalties under the Sherman Act	H. R. 3659	Feb. 7	Jud	Jud	Feb. 23	June 21	70	618	3950	9165	Mar. 29	June 24	July 7	135
Authorizing certain officers of Federal penal institutions to administer oaths and take acknowledgements.	H. R. 4221	Feb. 18	Jud	Jud	Mar. 24	June 21	302	610	4587	9164	Apr. 18	June 24	July 7	136
To amend the Clayton Act by granting a right of action to the U. S. to recover damages under the antitrust laws and to establish a uniform statute of limitations.	H. R. 4954	Mar. 15	Jud	Jud	Apr. 18	June 21	422	619	5134	9166	Apr. 26	June 24	July 7	137
Mutual Security Act of 1955	S. 2090	May 27	FA*	FR*	June 24	May 27	912	383	9666	7523	June 30	June 2	July 8	138
To adjust the salaries of judges of the D. C. municipal court of appeals, municipal court, juvenile court, and the Tax Court.	S. 727 (H. R. 2986)	Jan. 26	DC*	DC	May 3	Apr. 28	472	254	6816	5742	May 23	May 5	July 11	139

To provide that all U. S. currency shall bear the inscription "In God We Trust."	H. R. 619	Jan. 5	BC	BC	May 26	June 27	662	637	7796	9449	June 7	June 29	July 11	140
To authorize appropriation for AEC for acquisition or condemnation of real property or any facilities, or for plant or facility acquisition, construction, or expansion.	H. R. 6795 (S. 2220)	June 14	AE	AE	June 14	June 14	787	538	9285	9361	June 27	June 28	July 11	141
Conveyance of a portion of Fort Devens Military Reservation to Commonwealth of Massachusetts.	S. 107	Jan. 6	AS	AS*	June 15	June 2	845	407	9889	7635	July 5	June 6	July 11	142
To repeal 2 provisions of law requiring that certain military personnel shall be paid monthly.	S 1725 (H. R. 5270)	Apr. 19	AS*	AS*	June 15	June 16	836	568	9888	8676	July 5	June 20	July 11	143
To amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 regarding advance payments to members of uniformed services.	S. 804	Jan. 28	AS	AS*	June 15	Mar. 4	832	45	9886	3798	July 5	Mar. 28	July 12	144
To repeal the act limiting the date of filing claims for retainer pay with respect to members of Naval Reserve Force or Marine Corps Reserve.	S. 800	Jan. 28	AS	AS	June 15	Apr. 1	830	130	9886	4368	July 5	Apr. 13	July 12	145
To amend the Universal Military Training and Service Act regarding removal of requirement for final physical examination.	S. 802	Jan. 28	AS	AS*	June 15	Mar. 4	831	46	9886	3798	July 5	Mar. 28	July 12	146
To facilitate the settlement of the accounts of deceased members of the uniformed services.	S. 933	Feb. 4	AS	AS*	June 15	Apr. 25	833	221	9887	5217	July 5	Apr. 28	July 12	147
To amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, regarding interstate compacts.	S. 1007 (H. R. 3758)	Feb. 8	GO	GO	May 18	May 5	600	272	9886	5840	July 5	May 9	July 12	148
To extend the authority for the enlistment of aliens in the Regular Army.	S. 1137	Feb. 21	AS	AS*	June 15	Apr. 1	834	132	9887	4368	July 5	Apr. 13	July 12	149
To provide for the construction of certain Government buildings in the D. C.	S. 1290 (H. R. 6472)	Mar. 4	PW*	PW*	July 1	May 31	1048	402	10025	7877	July 6	June 8	July 12	150
To declare a portion of the waterway at Bridgeport, Conn., a non-navigable stream.	S. 1469	Mar. 16	IFC	IFC	June 23	May 27	907	397	9897	7255	July 5	May 31	July 12	151
To declare a certain portion of the waterway at Greenwich, Conn., a nonnavigable stream.	S. 1300	Mar. 4	IFC	IFC	June 23	May 27	905	396	9897	7255	July 5	May 31	July 12	152
To authorize voluntary extensions of enlistments in the Army, Navy, and Air Force for periods of less than 1 year.	S. 1571 (H. R. 5000)	Mar. 28	AS*	AS*	June 15	June 16	835	567	9888	8676	July 5	June 20	July 12	153
Relating to a constitutional convention in Alaska	S. 1633 (H. R. 5166)	Apr. 1	IIA	IIA	May 2	May 3	467	264	9938	9447	July 5	June 29	July 12	154
Authorizing installation of additional elevators in Senate wing of the Capitol.	S. 1993	May 17	PW	RAdm	June 21	June 17	.....	578	10025	8677	July 6	June 20	July 12	155
To provide for suspension of certain benefits in the case of members of the Reserve components of the armed services ordered to extended active duty in time of war.	S. 2135 (H. R. 6601)	June 2	AS*	AS*	June 16	June 16	853	569	9892	8676	July 5	June 20	July 12	156
Defense Department appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 6042	May 5	App*	App*	May 5	June 14	493	545	6248	8715	May 12	June 20	July 13	157
Relative to construction and maintenance of roads and bridges in Alaska.	H. R. 245	Jan. 5	IIA	IIA	May 2	July 1	464	697	6465	9973	May 17	July 6	July 14	158
To amend the Water Pollution Control Act so as to provide for the control of air pollution.	S. 928	Feb. 4	IFC	PW*	une 28	May 27	968	389	9925	7250	July 5	May 31	July 14	159
Modification of project for Ferrells Bridge Reservoir, Tex.	S. J. Res. 77	June 10	PW	PW*	.....	June 15	.....	555	9939	8629	July 5	June 17	July 15	160
Authorizing certain construction at military, naval, and Air Force installations.	H. R. 6829	June 15	AS*	AS*	June 20	June 30	865	694	9280	9718	June 27	July 1	July 15	161
To provide for conservation of anthracite coal resources through flood control and mine drainage.	H. R. 7066	June 28	IIA	IIA	July 5	July 12	1057	831	9919	10414	July 5	July 13	July 15	162
Public works appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 6766	June 10	App*	App*	June 10	July 1	747	700	8539	9882	June 16	July 5	July 15	163
Authorizing construction of a highway crossing over Lake Texoma, Red River, Tex. and Okla.	S. 1318 (H. R. 6641)	Mar. 4	PW*	PW*	July 1	May 27	1047	391	9940	7251	July 5	May 31	July 15	164
Atomic Weapons Reward Act of 1955	S. 609 (H. R. 6901)	Jan. 21	AE	AE	June 23	June 22	901	623	10024	9362	July 6	une 28	July 15	165
Extending period for emergency assistance to farmers and stockmen	H. R. 4915 (S 1372)	Mar. 15	Agr	Agr	June 13	Apr. 20	785	208	8731	10149	June 20	July 11	July 15	166
To amend the mining laws to provide for multiple use of the surface of the same tracts of the public lands.	H. R. 5891 (S. 1713)	Apr. 27	IIA	IIA*	June 6	June 15	730	554	8746	9338	June 20	June 28	July 23	167
To extend the existing authority for the loan of a small aircraft carrier to the Government of France.	S. 1139	Feb. 21	AS	AS*	June 15	Apr. 1	844	133	10730	4368	July 18	Apr. 13	July 26	168
To declare Pike Creek above the easterly side of the highway bridge at 6th Avenue in the city of Kenosha, Wis., a nonnavigable stream.	S. 1250	Feb. 28	IFC	IFC	June 23	May 27	908	395	9897	7252	July 5	May 31	July 26	169
To simplify the procedures governing the mailing of certain religious publications.	H. R. 4585	Mar. 2	POCS*	POCS	June 2	July 12	714	826	8728	10413	June 20	July 13	July 26	170
To acquire certain rights-of-way and timber-access roads	S. 1464 (H. R. 4664)	Mar. 16	IIA	IIA	June 14	May 19	786	364	8731	7101	June 20	May 26	July 26	171

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To redefine the terms "stepchild" and "stepparent" for the purposes of the Servicemen's Indemnity Act.	H. R. 6419	May 23	FA*	Fin	June 22	July 12	890	829	9896	10415	July 5	July 13	July 26	172
To amend the Subversive Activities Control Act of 1950 to change the standard therein from 2 to 3 years with respect to the past affiliation of individuals conducting the management of certain organizations.	H. R. 4753	Mar. 8	UAA	Jud	Apr. 14	July 18	420	888	6459	11036	May 17	July 20	July 26	173
Amending the Commodity Exchange Act so as to include onions.....	H. R. 122	Jan. 5	Agr	Agr	Mar. 22	July 7	285	766	3299	10170	Mar. 29	July 11	July 26	174
Amending the AMVETS charter to redefine eligibility of membership..	H. R. 4754	Mar. 8	Jud	Jud	May 10	July 7	575	763	6471	10169	May 17	July 11	July 26	175
To amend title IV of the Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act, relative to unemployment compensation.	H. R. 4946	Mar. 15	VA*	LPW	June 22	July 12	884	834	9896	10415	July 5	July 13	July 26	176
Establishment of City of Refuge National Historical Park in Hawaii..	H. R. 5300	Mar. 29	IIA	IIA	May 9	July 7	546	708	6469	10160	May 17	July 11	July 26	177
Amending the American Legion charter to redefine eligibility of membership.	H. R. 3813	Feb. 8	Jud	Jud	May 10	July 7	574	762	6471	10169	May 17	July 11	July 26	178
To abolish the Old Kasaan National Monument, Alaska.....	H. R. 4046	Feb. 16	IIA	IIA	Mar. 8	July 7	155	707	2936	10160	Mar. 15	July 11	July 26	179
To extend until July 16, 1956, the time within which a Korean veteran may apply for mustering-out payment.	H. R. 5792	Apr. 21	VA*	LPW	June 22	July 12	885	836	9896	10416	July 5	July 13	July 26	180
To permit lump-sum payment of attorneys' fees in suits for waiver of insurance premiums on account of total disability of veterans.	H. R. 6832	June 15	VA*	Fin	June 22	July 12	895	830	9897	10415	July 5	July 13	July 26	181
Providing for a nationwide analysis and reevaluation of the human and economic problems of mental illness.	H. J. Res. 256 (S. J. Res. 46)	Mar. 17	IFC*	LPW*	Mar. 21	July 14	241	870	4926	10706	Apr. 21	July 18	July 28	182
To establish the Theodore Roosevelt Commission.....	H. J. Res. 273 (S. J. Res. 63)	Mar. 30	Jud	Jud	June 27	July 7	918	761	9901	10169	July 5	July 11	July 28	183
Authorizing construction and operation of a free highway bridge across the St. Croix River between Calais, Maine, and St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada.	S. 1550	Mar. 24	FA	PW	July 12	June 14	1159	544	10768	8627	July 18	June 17	July 28	184
Consenting to interstate compact to conserve oil and gas.....	S. J. Res. 38	Feb. 4	IFC	IIA	June 27	May 3	917	266	9900	5844	July 5	May 9	July 28	185
Authorizing transfer of certain agricultural property in St. Croix, V. I., to Department of Agriculture.	S. 2097	May 27	IIA	Agr	July 6	June 15	1066	557	10759	8629	July 18	June 17	July 28	186
To authorize the leasing of certain lands of the Yakima Tribe to the State of Washington for historical and park purposes.	H. R. 1802	Jan. 10	IIA	IIA	May 9	July 13	543	848	6468	10692	May 17	July 18	July 28	187
To authorize the purchase, sale, and exchange of certain Indian lands on the Yakima Indian Reservation.	H. R. 1801	Jan. 10	IIA	IIA	Feb. 22	July 13	68	847	2933	10692	Mar. 15	July 18	July 28	188
To provide an increased maximum per diem allowance for subsistence and travel expenses.	H. R. 6295 (S. 1795)	May 17	GO*	GO	May 19	May 17	604	353	8756	8928	June 20	June 22	July 28	189
To extend for 2 years the existing privilege of free importation of gifts from members of the Armed Forces abroad.	H. R. 5559	Apr. 14	WM	Fin	May 5	May 27	492	387	6660	7373	May 19	June 1	July 28	190
To extend for 5 years the authority for conveyance of certain lands to Miles City, Mont.	S. 1878	May 3	IIA	IIA	July 11	June 7	1091	499	10760	8112	July 18	June 14	July 29	191
To amend Act approved Aug. 30, 1954, relating to establishment of Woodrow Wilson Centennial Celebration Commission.	H. R. 6454	May 25	Jud	Jud	July 12	July 25	1154	1096	10767	11678	July 18	July 27	July 29	192
Concerning automatic waiver of insurance premiums for certain prisoners of war.	H. R. 1617	Jan. 6	VA*	Fin	June 22	July 12	878	832	9893	10415	July 5	July 13	July 29	193
Relating to renewal of veterans' term insurance within 120 days after separation from service.	H. R. 1619	Jan. 6	VA*	Fin	June 22	July 12	879	828	9893	10415	July 5	July 13	July 29	194
Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare appropriations for fiscal 1956.	H. R. 5046	Mar. 18	App*	App*	Mar. 18	June 2	228	410	3284	7628	Mar. 21	June 6	Aug. 1	195
Philippine Trade Agreement Revision Act of 1955.....	H. R. 6059	May 5	WM*	Fin	June 27	July 14	934	862	10084	11033	July 7	July 20	Aug. 1	196
To provide for the relief of certain members of the Army, Navy, and Air Force.	H. R. 3560	Feb. 3	Jud	Jud	Mar. 10	July 12	200	810	4585	10686	Apr. 18	July 18	Aug. 1	197
To exempt from taxation property transferred to the U. S. or D. C. for public or municipal purpose.	H. R. 2406	Jan. 17	DC	DC	May 20	July 14	607	864	6817	10699	May 23	July 18	Aug. 1	198

Relating to sale or lease of certain shorelands and tidelands in Hawaii.	H. R. 6331	May 18	IIA	IIA	June 28	July 14	991	861	9905	10698	July 5	July 18	Aug. 1	199
To authorize Administrator of General Services to donate certain property to the American National Red Cross.	S. 614 (H. R. 3757)	Jan. 21	GO	GO	June 30	May 5	1040	271	10757	5840	July 18	May 9	Aug. 1	200
To adjust boundary between 2d and 4th judicial districts in Alaska.	H. R. 65	Jan. 5	IIA	IIA	June 28	July 14	984	860	9903	10697	July 5	July 18	Aug. 1	201
Distribution of funds belonging to the members of the Creek Nation of Indians.	H. R. 4367	Feb. 24	IIA	IIA	Mar. 10	July 13	201	843	2937	10690	Mar. 15	July 18	Aug. 1	202
Recoupment of certain public-school construction costs, and expenditure of funds for cooperating with the public-school board of Walker, Minn.	H. R. 3123	Jan. 26	IIA	IIA	Apr. 13	July 13	418	842	5325	10707	May 2	July 18	Aug. 1	203
To provide for continued operation of certain schools on military installations.	H. R. 3253	Jan. 27	EdL*	LPW	June 8	July 14	736	871	10085	10706	July 7	July 18	Aug. 1	204
To transfer a tract of land to Clarksburg, W. Va.	H. R. 6796	June 14	VA	LPW	June 22	July 12	894	833	9896	10688	July 5	July 18	Aug. 1	205
To repeal certain laws relating to timber and stone on the public domain.	H. R. 4894	Mar. 14	IIA	IIA	May 25	July 18	627	875	7795	11036	June 7	July 20	Aug. 1	206
Authorizing the VA Administrator to convey certain property to North Little Rock, Ark.	H. R. 4225	Feb. 18	VA	LPW	June 22	July 12	882	835	9895	10689	July 5	July 18	Aug. 1	207
Mutual security appropriations for fiscal 1956.	H. R. 7224	July 8	App*	App*	July 8	July 19	1086	1033	10249	11305	July 11	July 22	Aug. 2	208
To extend for 5 years the marine war-risk insurance provisions of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936.	S. 741	Jan. 26	MMF*	IFC*	July 12	Apr. 28	1117	244	10761	5747	July 18	May 5	Aug. 3	209
To permit the issuance of a flag to a friend or associate of the deceased veteran where it is not claimed by next of kin.	H. R. 4727	Mar. 8	VA*	Fin	June 22	July 19	883	1024	10732	11226	July 18	July 22	Aug. 3	210
To amend the Federal Airport Act.	S. 1855	Apr. 28	IFC	IFC*	July 15	June 23	1190	636	10806	9172	July 18	June 24	Aug. 3	211
Declaring a portion of Acushnet River in Massachusetts a nonnavigable stream.	H. R. 2866	Jan. 24	IFC	PW	June 23	July 19	909	1026	9897	11135	July 5	July 21	Aug. 3	212
Providing for the abolition of the 80-rod reserved spaces between claims on shore waters in Alaska.	H. R. 605	Jan. 5	IIA	IIA	June 28	July 19	990	1025	9904	11226	July 5	July 22	Aug. 3	213
To authorize an investigation and report on advisability of a national monument in Brooklyn, N. Y.	H. R. 473	Jan. 5	IIA	IIA	Feb. 14	July 18	47	873	2932	11214	Mar. 15	July 22	Aug. 3	214
Providing for management and disposition of certain public lands in Oklahoma.	H. R. 4001	Feb. 14	IIA	IIA	June 13	July 18	750	874	8730	11034	June 20	July 20	Aug. 3	215
To extend the Renegotiation Act of 1951 for 2 years.	H. R. 4904	Mar. 15	WM	Fin*	Apr. 27	June 20	450	582	5243	8823	Apr. 28	June 21	Aug. 3	216
Providing for the conveyance of the Old Colony project to the Boston Housing Authority.	H. R. 6980	June 22	.....	BC	.....	July 21	.....	1089	9410	11340	June 28	July 25	Aug. 3	217
To amend the act authorizing construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation and flood control.	H. R. 4362	Feb. 24	PW*	PW*	July 5	July 19	1056	1027	9939	11134	July 5	July 21	Aug. 3	218
Making supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1956.	H. R. 7278	July 12	App*	App*	July 12	July 22	1116	1094	10625	11508	July 14	July 26	Aug. 4	219
Designating Oct. 22, 1955, as National Olympic Day.	H. J. Res. 359	June 27	.....	Jud	.....	July 21	.....	1060	9517	11333	June 29	July 25	Aug. 4	220
Atomic Energy Community Act of 1955.	S. 2630 (H. R. 7576)	July 25	AE*	AE*	.....	July 25	.....	1140	12421	12067	July 30	July 29	Aug. 4	221
To exempt meetings of D. C. associations of professional hairdressers or cosmetologists from provisions of the Cosmetology and License Acts.	S. 667	Jan. 24	DC	DC	July 20	June 28	1287	685	11386	9464	July 25	June 29	Aug. 4	222
To repeal the prohibition against declaration of stock dividends by public utilities in D. C.	S. 2177	June 8	DC	DC	July 19	June 22	1259	630	11380	9161	July 25	June 24	Aug. 4	223
Incorporation of Army and Navy Legion of Valor of the U. S.	H. R. 3786	Feb. 8	Jud	Jud	May 10	July 18	573	1019	6471	11226	May 17	July 22	Aug. 4	224
To repeal requirement that public utilities in D. C. must submit annual reports to Congress.	S. 2176	June 8	DC	DC	July 19	June 22	1258	629	11380	9160	July 25	June 24	Aug. 4	225
For the relief of desert-land entrymen whose entries are dependent upon percolating water for reclamation.	S. 1177 (H. R. 4308)	Feb. 23	IIA	IIA*	July 7	June 10	1084	508	10760	8114	July 18	June 14	Aug. 4	226
Authorizing overtime compensation for Metropolitan Police Force, U. S. Park Police, White House Police, and Fire Department of the D. C.	S. 2427 (H. R. 2601)	July 6	DC	DC	July 18	July 14	1265	865	11385	10700	July 25	July 18	Aug. 4	227
Increasing mileage allowance for U. S. marshals from 7 to 10 cents per mile.	S. 2592 (H. R. 4019)	July 21	Jud	.....	July 19	.....	1268	.....	11411	11121	July 25	July 21	Aug. 4	228
Adjustments in dates of rank of certain Army and Air Force nurses and women medical specialists.	H. R. 2150	Jan. 13	AS*	AS*	July 12	July 21	1135	1076	10763	11337	July 18	July 25	Aug. 4	229
Printing of revised edition of Cannon's Procedure in the House of Representatives.	H. J. Res. 385	July 13	HA	.....	July 21	.....	1309	.....	11173	11354	July 21	July 25	Aug. 4	230
To provide that active service in the Army and Air Force shall be included in determining the eligibility for retirement of commissioned officers of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard with 20 years of service.	H. R. 4886	Mar. 14	AS*	AS*	June 15	July 21	849	1080	9891	11338	July 5	July 25	Aug. 4	231
To extend Alaska Railroad leases.	H. R. 3338	Jan. 31	IIA	IIA	Mar. 10	July 7	202	706	3928	11345	Mar. 29	July 25	Aug. 4	232

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To authorize the crediting of prior active Federal commissioned service performed by a person appointed as a commissioned officer under Army-Navy Nurses Act of 1947.	H. R. 4106	Feb. 16	AS*	AS*	July 12	July 21	1136	1077	10763	11337	July 18	July 25	Aug. 4	233
To provide for release of express condition and limitation on certain land conveyed to trustees of Sag Harbor, N. Y.	H. R. 4717	Mar. 7	AS*	AS*	June 20	July 21	864	1079	10732	11338	July 18	July 25	Aug. 4	234
Conveyance of certain property under jurisdiction of HHFA to State of Louisiana.	H. R. 5512	Apr. 13	BC	BC	May 26	July 21	663	1088	7797	11340	June 7	July 25	Aug. 4	235
Authorizing loan of certain military equipment to Girl Scouts	H. R. 4218	Feb. 18	AS*	AS*	June 15	July 21	848	1078	9891	11337	July 5	July 25	Aug. 4	236
Relating to conveyance of certain submarginal lands to Clemson Agricultural College of South Carolina.	H. R. 4280	Feb. 22	Agr	Agr	June 16	July 20	856	1048	10731	11239	July 18	July 22	Aug. 4	237
To authorize transmission through the mail of certain keys, identification devices, and small articles.	H. R. 4808	Mar. 10	POCS	POCS	June 6	July 14	729	857	8729	11680	June 20	July 27	Aug. 4	238
Retirement of retired military personnel in Federal civil service	H. R. 5893	Apr. 27	VA*	Fin	June 22	July 19	888	1023	9896	11332	July 5	July 25	Aug. 4	239
Relative to certain expense authorizations being advanced to the D. C. Armory Board.	H. R. 6259	May 16	DC	DC	June 22	July 21	889	1069	9255	11335	June 27	July 25	Aug. 4	240
Quitclaims reversionary interests in certain lands formerly conveyed to the city of Chandler, Okla.	H. R. 4747	Mar. 8	IIA	IIA	June 13	July 18	751	876	8730	11240	June 20	July 22	Aug. 4	241
Legislative Branch appropriations for fiscal 1956	H. R. 7117	June 30	App*	App*	June 30	July 28	1036	1181	9818	11972	July 1	July 29	Aug. 5	242
To fix and regulate the salaries of teachers, school officers, and other employees of the D. C. Board of Education.	S. 1093	Feb. 18	DC	DC	July 20	May 26	1273	377	11390	7261	July 25	May 31	Aug. 5	243
To increase the salaries of Metropolitan Police Force, Fire Department of D. C., U. S. Park Police, and White House Police.	S. 2428 (H. R. 7159)	July 6	DC	DC	July 19	July 14	1263	866	11385	10701	July 25	July 18	Aug. 5	244
To amend the Career Compensation Act of 1949 concerning transportation and storage of household goods.	H. R. 6277	May 16	AS*	AS*	June 28	July 21	966	1081	9902	11338	July 5	July 25	Aug. 5	245
To establish a Permanent Committee for the Oliver Wendell Holmes Devise.	H. R. 7029 (S. 2346)	June 27	HA	RAdm	July 19	July 21	1270	1053	10986	11333	July 19	July 25	Aug. 5	246
To require the recordation of scrip, lieu selection, and similar rights	H. R. 2972	Jan. 25	IIA	IIA	June 13	July 18	749	880	8730	11137	June 20	July 21	Aug. 5	247
To amend the Commodity Exchange Act regarding fees for registrations and renewals of certificates.	S. 1051	Feb. 11	Agr	Agr	July 26	Mar. 2	1425	39	12404	2509	July 30	Mar. 8	Aug. 5	248
To revise sec. 3 of D. C. Public School Food Services Act regarding employee benefits.	S. 665	Jan. 24	DC	DC	July 19	June 22	1257	631	11380	9162	July 25	June 24	Aug. 5	249
To strengthen and improve the organization of the State Department	S. 2237	June 14	FA	FR	July 19	June 14	1260	546	12693	8628	Aug. 1	June 17	Aug. 5	250
To authorize the construction of 2 surveying ships for the Coast and Geodetic Survey, Commerce Department.	S. 847 (H. R. 6743)	Feb. 1	MMF	IFC	July 14	June 16	1178	566	11719	8635	July 27	June 17	Aug. 5	251
To direct conveyance of certain lands to the Pecwan Union School District (Calif.)	H. R. 727	Jan. 5	IIA	IIA	July 6	July 26	1059	1151	10759	11806	July 18	July 28	Aug. 5	252
To authorize subsistence allowances to enlisted personnel	H. R. 7194	July 6	AS*	AS*	July 12	July 21	1137	1082	10763	11338	July 18	July 25	Aug. 5	253
To provide 5-year terms of office for members of Subversive Activities Control Board, with 1 of such terms expiring in each calendar year.	S. 2375	June 29	UAA	Jud	July 25	July 18	1394	887	11686	11036	July 27	July 20	Aug. 5	254
Long-term leasing of restricted Indian lands in Arizona for certain purposes.	S. 34 (H. R. 7157)	Jan. 6	IIA	IIA	July 11	May 24	1093	375	10761	7092	July 18	May 26	Aug. 9	255
Authorizing the construction of certain public works on the Mississippi River for protection of St. Louis, Mo.	S. 56 (H. R. 7092)	Jan. 6	PW*	PW*	July 27	July 22	1459	1092	12478	11466	July 30	July 26	Aug. 9	256
Providing that certain lands acquired by the U. S. shall be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture as national forest lands.	S. 72 (H. R. 763)	Jan. 6	Agr	Agr*	July 13	Mar. 4	1169	43	12388	3798	July 30	Mar. 28	Aug. 9	257
Authorizing issuance of patents for certain lands in Florida bordering upon Indian River.	S. 464 (H. R. 6101)	Jan. 14	IIA	IIA	July 18	June 28	1197	687	12394	9468	July 30	June 29	Aug. 9	258
Authorizing issuance of commemorative medals in observance of 250th anniversary of birth of Benjamin Franklin.	S. 463	Jan. 14	BC	BC	July 28	July 21	1553	1063	12656	11334	Aug. 1	July 25	Aug. 9	259
Authorizing sale of S. S. *Monterey*	S. J. Res. 92 (H. J. Res. 380)	July 19	MMF	IFC	July 30	July 27	1600	1165	12463	11973	July 30	July 29	Aug. 9	260

Conveyance to North Dakota, for use as a State historic site, of land where Sitting Bull was originally buried.	S. 535 (H. R. 7284)	Jan. 18	IIA	IIA	July 27	July 13	1465	844	12411	10691	July 30	July 18	Aug. 9	261
To extend authority for construction by the armed services during a war or national emergency.	S. 1138	Feb. 21	AS	AS	July 14	May 19	1183	367	12103	7102	July 29	May 26	Aug. 9	262
Extending the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation.	S. 878 (H. R. 7248)	Feb. 1	IIA	IIA	July 27	July 13	1479	841	12413	10690	July 30	July 18	Aug. 9	263
To amend the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act.....	S. 1167	Feb. 22	Agr	Agr	July 18	Mar. 18	1192	115	12392	3805	July 30	Mar. 28	Aug. 9	264
Conveyance of certain land to Brownsville Navigation District of Cameron County, Tex.	S. 1340 (H. R. 3675)	Mar. 8	PW	PW*	July 14	May 17	1179	390	12390	7251	July 30	May 31	Aug. 9	265
Relating to voluntary liquidation of national banks.....	S. 1187	Feb. 23	BC*	BC*	July 21	May 27	1337	398	12402	7253	July 30	May 31	Aug. 9	266
To eliminate separate divisions and reduce the number of places of holding regular terms of the U. S. District Court for the District of Nebraska.	S. 1512 (H. R. 5130)	Mar. 22	Jud	Jud	July 25	July 28	1396	1214	12401	12233	July 30	July 30	Aug. 9	267
Extending the Small Business Administration for 2 years.....	S. 2127	June 1	BC*	BC*	July 22	June 1	1350	405	13046	7639	Aug. 2	June 6	Aug. 9	268
To eliminate the 1-year limitation on the period of leases of space for Federal agencies in the District of Columbia.	S. 1210	Feb. 23	PW	PW*	July 20	July 5	1294	702	12396	10075	July 30	July 7	Aug. 9	269
Authorizing adjustment of certain obligations of farm settlers.....	S. 1621 (H. R. 5467)	Apr. 1	Agr	Agr	.....	July 20	.....	1042	12464	11230	July 30	July 22	Aug. 9	270
To enable the State of Connecticut to proceed with its program of highway modernization.	S. 1577	Mar. 30	PW	PW*	July 13	June 29	1162	691	12386	9564	July 30	June 30	Aug. 9	271
To provide penalties for violation of U. S. Agricultural standards or services.	S. 1757	Apr. 20	Agr	Agr	July 27	June 15	1463	562	12410	8632	July 30	June 17	Aug. 9	272
To amend the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act to modify, clarify, and provide additional authority for insurance of loans.	S. 1758	Apr. 20	Agr	Agr	.....	July 7	.....	703	12396	10158	July 30	July 11	Aug. 9	273
To authorize improvements on the Amite River and its tributaries in Louisiana.	S. 1899	May 4	PW	PW*	July 29	July 19	1591	1029	12704	11136	Aug. 1	July 21	Aug. 9	274
Authorizing construction within Grand Teton National Park of an alternate route to U. S. Highway 89.	S. 1917	May 9	IIA	IIA	.....	July 26	.....	1141	12702	11811	Aug. 1	July 28	Aug. 9	275
To authorize the Peublos of San Lorenzo and Pojoaque in New Mexico to sell certain lands to the Navaho Tribe.	S. 1906	May 5	IIA	IIA	July 29	July 13	1575	846	12703	10692	Aug. 1	July 18	Aug. 9	276
To repeal a particular contractual requirement with respect to the Arch Hurley Conservancy District in New Mexico.	S. 1965 (H. R. 5169)	May 13	IIA	IIA	July 27	July 27	1482	1156	12414	11808	July 30	July 28	Aug. 9	277
To permit per capita payments to members of Shoshone and Arapahoe Tribes in Wyoming.	S. 2087 (H. R. 6945)	May 26	IIA	IIA	July 27	July 27	1486	1168	12415	11831	July 30	July 28	Aug. 9	278
To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 relating to national marketing quota for tobacco.	S. 2297 (H. R. 6845)	June 22	Agr*	Agr	July 25	July 20	1360	1043	12399	11230	July 30	July 22	Aug. 9	279
Providing that education and training allowances paid to veterans pursuing institutional on-farm training shall not be reduced for 12 months after they have begun their training.	S. 2081 (H. R. 4006)	May 26	VA*	LPW*	June 22	July 20	881	1036	12468	11227	July 30	July 22	Aug. 9	280
Authorizing equal distribution to members of Kaw Tribe of certain moneys to the credit of the tribe in the U. S. Treasury.	S. 2197 (H. R. 6804)	June 10	IIA	IIA	July 29	July 27	1572	1169	12461	11831	July 30	July 28	Aug. 9	281
Conveyance of certain land to Sioux Falls, S. Dak., for park and recreational purposes.	S. 2277	June 21	GO	GO	July 27	July 19	1452	1020	12408	11233	July 30	July 22	Aug. 9	282
To include town of Glendo, Wyo., in a sewage system to be installed in connection with construction of Glendo Dam and Reservoir.	S. 2339	June 27	.....	IIA	.....	July 29	.....	1240	12702	12293	Aug. 1	July 30	Aug. 9	283
To authorize conveyance of certain war housing projects to the city of Norfolk, Va.	S. 2351 (H. R. 7073)	June 28	BC	BC	July 21	July 21	1341	1086	12464	11339	July 30	July 25	Aug. 9	284
To amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949.....	H. R. 6382	May 19	FA*	FR*	May 24	July 20	624	1050	9120	11353	June 23	July 25	Aug. 9	285
To authorize dual employment of custodial employees in post-office buildings operated by GSA.	S. 2403 (H. R. 7183)	July 1	POCS	POCS	July 27	July 13	1500	850	12416	10692	July 30	July 18	Aug. 9	286
To recognize the 50th anniversary of Devil's Tower National Monument.	S. 2049	May 24	IIA	IIA	July 29	July 19	1577	1022	12703	11226	Aug. 1	July 22	Aug. 9	287
To amend the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 regarding national rice acreage allotment.	S. 2511 (H. R. 7367)	July 13	Agr	Agr	July 27	July 28	1462	1218	12410	12233	July 30	July 30	Aug. 9	288
Declaring a portion of the waterway of West Haven, Conn., known as West River, a nonnavigable stream.	S. 2514	July 13	.....	IFC	.....	July 29	.....	1234	12710	12292	Aug. 1	July 30	Aug. 9	289
To provide for compensatory absence of Coast Guard military personnel serving in isolated aids to navigation.	S. 2566 (H. R. 7379)	July 18	MMF	IFC	July 25	July 21	1397	1068	12463	11335	July 30	July 25	Aug. 9	290
Authorizing the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation to convey certain land to Kerr County, Tex.	H. J. Res. 276	Apr. 4	GO	GO	June 30	July 28	1041	1187	10758	12230	July 18	July 30	Aug. 9	291
To amend the rice marketing quota provisions of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.	S. 2573 (H. R. 7302)	July 19	Agr	Agr	July 25	July 22	1361	1093	12400	11343	July 30	July 25	Aug. 9	292
Conveyance to city of Anniston, Ala., of certain real property within Fort McClellan.	H. R. 46	Jan. 5	AS*	AS*	June 15	July 28	846	1226	9890	12237	July 5	July 30	Aug. 9	293

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To authorize male nurses and medical specialists to be appointed as Reserve officers.	H. R. 2559	Jan. 20	AS*	AS*	July 12	July 28	1141	1229	10765	12238	July 18	July 30	Aug. 9	294
To amend and extend the Defense Production Act to June 30, 1956....	S. 2391 (H. R. 7470)	June 30	BC*	BC*	July 21	June 30	1343	696	12433	10914	July 30	July 19	Aug. 9	295
To permit and assist Federal personnel, including members of the Armed Forces, and their families, to exercise their voting franchise.	H. R. 4048	Feb. 16	HA	RAdm	Feb. 18	June 17	60	580	2069	11031	Feb. 24	July 20	Aug. 9	296
To provide that a gold medal be coined and presented to Dr. Jonas E. Salk in honor of his achievements in the field of medicine.	H. J. Res. 278	Apr. 14	BC*	BC	July 22	July 29	1350	1235	11574	12293	July 26	July 30	Aug. 9	297
To extend the authority of the Corregidor Bataan Memorial Commission.	H. R. 5469	Apr. 4	FA	.....	July 14	.....	1180	.....	12391	12883	July 30	Aug. 2	Aug. 9	298
To extend retirement income-tax credit to members of the Armed Forces.	H. R. 291	Jan. 5	WM	Fin	July 20	July 26	1288	1142	11148	11805	July 21	July 28	Aug. 9	299
To reconvey certain lands at the Jim Woodruff Reservoir, Ga. and Fla..	H. R. 1599	Jan. 6	PW	PW	July 12	July 28	1156	1195	10767	12231	July 18	July 30	Aug. 9	300
Conveyance of a portion of the former O'Reilly General Hospital, Springfield, Mo., to the State of Missouri.	H. R. 482	Jan. 5	GO	GO	June 30	July 28	1038	1188	10759	12230	July 18	July 30	Aug. 9	301
Providing additional facilities for the administration and training of Reserve components of the armed services.	H. R. 2107	Jan. 13	AS*	AS*	Apr. 19	July 21	425	1084	5167	11356	Apr. 27	July 25	Aug. 9	302
Relating to claims for gasoline floor stocks refunds.....	H. R. 3712	Feb. 7	WM	Fin	July 20	July 26	1291	1145	11150	11805	July 21	July 28	Aug. 9	303
To establish a Commission on Government Security.....	H. J. Res. 157 (S. J. Res. 21)	Jan. 20	Jud	GO*	June 23	June 17	911	581	9515	11035	June 29	July 20	Aug. 9	304
To provide for strengthening of the Reserve Forces.....	H. R. 7000	June 23	AS*	AS*	June 28	July 13	987	840	9811	10542	July 1	July 14	Aug. 9	305
Relative to income tax withheld on noncash remuneration to retail commission salesmen.	H. R. 542	Jan. 5	WM	Fin	July 20	July 26	1289	1143	11149	11805	July 21	July 28	Aug. 9	306
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To make agricultural commodities owned by the CCC available to persons in need in areas of acute distress.	H. R. 2851 (S. 661)	Jan. 24	Agr*	Agr*	May 11	July 20	583	1049	7060	11239	May 25	July 22	Aug. 9	311
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To permit national banks to make 20-year real-estate loans, 9-month construction loans, and 18-month commercial construction loans.	S. 1189	Feb. 23	BC*	BC*	July 22	May 27	1349	399	12662	7254	Aug. 1	May 31	Aug. 11	343
To increase the borrowing power of the CCC.....	S. 2604 (H. R. 7541)	July 22	BC*	Agr	July 28	July 28	1559	1200	12658	12074	Aug. 1	July 29	Aug. 11	344
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To amend act of Oct. 14, 1940, to authorize the sale of personal property held in connection with housing under such act.	H. R. 6199	May 12	BC	.....	July 21	.....	1339	.....	12403	12592	July 30	Aug. 1	Aug. 11	349
To provide for the participation of the U. S. in the International Finance Corporation.	S. 1894	May 4	BC*	BC*	July 20	June 10	1299	505	12662	8815	Aug. 1	June 21	Aug. 11	350
To amend sec. 313 of Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to tobacco allotments.	S. 2295 (H. R. 6847)	June 22	Agr*	Agr	July 25	July 20	1359	1046	12720	11231	Aug. 1	July 22	Aug. 11	351
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To exempt from admissions tax athletic events held for benefit of U. S. Olympic Association.	H. R. 7095	June 29	WM	Fin	July 27	July 29	1496	1264	12085	12304	July 29	July 30	Aug. 11	354
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To permit the mining, development, and utilization of mineral resources of all public lands withdrawn or reserved for power development.	H. R. 100 (S. 1713)	Jan. 5	IIA	IIA*	Mar. 3	July 26	86	1150	2934	11830	Mar. 15	July 28	Aug. 11	359
To provide appropriations for the Agricultural Extension Service to meet special needs.	S. 2098	May 27	Agr	Agr	July 27	June 15	1499	558	12416	8629	July 30	June 17	Aug. 11	360
To amend sec. 313 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 with respect to tobacco allotments.	S. 2296 (H. R. 6846)	June 22	Agr*	Agr	July 25	July 20	1358	1044	13062	11231	Aug. 2	July 22	Aug. 11	361
Relating to enforcement of narcotic laws.....	H. R. 7018	June 27	WM	Fin	July 22	July 29	1347	1247	11683	12294	July 27	July 30	Aug. 11	362
Providing for a refund or credit of taxes paid on distilled spirits rendered unmarketable as result of hurricanes of 1954.	H. R. 5249	Mar. 28	WM	Fin	July 27	July 29	1491	1262	12087	12279	July 29	July 30	Aug. 11	363
To authorize the States to organize and maintain State defense forces.	H. R. 7289	July 12	.....	AS*	.....	July 30	.....	.....	11525	12314	July 26	July 30	Aug. 11	364
To provide permanent authority for the relief of certain disbursing officers.	H. R. 7034	June 27	GO	GO	June 29	July 28	996	1185	10758	12230	July 18	July 30	Aug. 11	365
Relating to tax treatment of income received from patent infringement suits.	H. R. 7300	July 13	WM	Fin	July 23	July 29	1357	1249	11684	12294	July 27	July 30	Aug. 11	366
To remove the manufacturers' excise tax from sales of certain component parts and on certain radio and television apparatus.	H. R. 7024	June 27	WM	Fin	July 21	July 27	1308	1162	11374	11809	July 25	July 28	Aug. 11	367
To authorize travel and transportation allowances and transportation of dependents and of baggage and household effects to the homes of members of armed services.	H. R. 6600	June 1	AS*	AS*	June 28	July 28	967	1221	9903	12233	July 5	July 30	Aug. 11	368
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To increase the annuities of certain retired civilian members of the teaching staffs of the U. S. Naval Academy and the U. S. Naval Postgraduate School.	H. R. 4672	Mar. 7	AS*	AS*	July 12	July 28	1134	1230	10763	12238	July 18	uly 30	Aug. 11	371
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To regulate the election of D. C. delegates to national political conventions.	H. R. 191	Jan. 5	DC	DC	May 20	June 30	606	695	6819	10287	May 23	July 12	Aug. 12	376
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